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# 1 Preamble

Victoria Police Crime Statistics Official Release is prepared for release each year in August by Corporate Statistics, and includes statistical summaries of offences recorded by police in Victoria for the previous financial year. This release contains provisional crime statistics for the 2010/2011 financial year, and includes data from recent financial years for basic trend analysis.

The purpose of this document is to provide a summary of current crime trends, and not to comment on Victoria Police performance, or to assess or evaluate Victoria Police operational strategies.

Statistics included in this publication were compiled from data stored on the Law Enforcement Assistance Program (LEAP) and extracted on 18 July 2011.

LEAP is a dynamic database designed primarily for operational policing purposes. Victoria Police update existing records with new information as it becomes available, and revise records when investigation identifies additional information. The Central Data Entry Bureau of Victoria Police also amends records when quality control checks identify inaccurate or incomplete information.

Due to the dynamic nature of LEAP, statistics produced at different times from the same data may vary. Because of this, statistics produced in this publication for previous financial years will differ slightly from those previously published.

Recorded crime consists of those offences recorded on LEAP during the reporting period, regardless of when the offence occurred or when it was reported to police. Information contained in this publication relates only to those crimes reported to or detected by Victoria Police.

Detailed crime classification rules and definitions are included in the Appendix to provide assistance in the interpretation of statistics.

As the information presented in this document is by no means exhaustive, any requests for additional information should be directed to the Chief Statistician, Corporate Statistics.

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## **2 Executive summary**

### **2.1 Statewide crime statistics 2010/2011**

#### **Overall crime**

In 2010/2011, Victoria Police recorded 359,079 offences statewide. This was a decline of 2.4% from the number of offences recorded in 2009/2010. The 2010/2011 crime rate per 100,000 population was 6,428.7, a decrease of 3.9% compared with 2009/2010. This is the lowest number of offences and the lowest rate recorded since the implementation of LEAP in March 1993.

Over the last ten financial years, the crime rate per 100,000 population has decreased by 29.8%. The total number of recorded offences has decreased by 18.9% over the same period.

Of all offences recorded during 2010/2011, 166,824 (46.5%) were cleared in the same period. This single year clearance rate was an increase of 0.1 percentage points from the clearance rate recorded in 2009/10. An additional 11,241 offences recorded prior to 2010/2011 were also cleared during 2010/2011.

Victoria Police processed a total of 161,627 alleged offenders in 2010/2011, a decrease of 5.2% compared with the 170,445 processed in 2009/2010.

In 2010/2011, the number of victims of crime against the person increased by 6.4%, to 41,310 in 2010/2011.

#### **Crime against the person**

Despite the decrease in the total number of offences, the number of crime against the person offences has increased by 5.6% during the last financial year, to 48,511 offences recorded in 2010/2011. As a rate per 100,000 population, this represents an increase of 4.0%.

The increase in crime against the person was mainly observed in rises in family incident- related crime. Crime against the person offences arising from family incidents accounted for 25.5% of all crime against the person offences during 2010/2011. The number of these offences increased by 26.1% between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011. In contrast, crime against the person offences not arising from family incidents increased by 0.1%.

All categories of crime against the person except for homicide increased between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011. Homicide decreased by 26.2%, from 206 in 2009/2010 to 152 in 2010/2011.

There were 1,826 rape offences recorded in 2010/2011, an increase of 9.3% on the 1,670 offences recorded in 2009/2010. As a rate per 100,000 population, rape increased by 7.7%. The number of rape offences in which the victim and offender(s) were related, living together, or in a relationship increased by 31.6% compared with 2009/2010. There was also an increase of 15.7% in rape offences occurring at residential locations. Female victims accounted for 91.7% of rape victims.

Sex (non-rape) offences also increased, rising 5.8% during the last financial year. As a rate per 100,000 population, sex (non-rape) rose by 4.2%. Female victims accounted for 83.0% of sex (non-rape) offence victims.

Robbery offences have increased by 8.0% to 3,347 in 2010/2011, with the rate per 100,000 population increasing by 6.3%. The most common type of location for robbery offences was a street/lane/footpath, followed by retail/financial locations. The majority of robbery offenders (87.1%) were males, and male offenders have increased by 7.5% since 2009/2010. Though females accounted for a small percentage (12.9%) of robbery offenders, females increased by 35.0% between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011. Females accounted for a minority (23.2%) of total person victims, but have increased by 17.0% since 2009/2010. Male robbery victims increased by only 0.3%.

Armed robberies accounted for 1,540 (46.0%) of all robberies in 2010/2011, an increase of 10.6% since 2009/2010. The most common weapon used in armed robberies was a knife (48.2%). 14.5% of all weapons used in robberies were a firearm (including imitation firearms), an increase of 44.5%.

During 2010/2011, the rate of assaults per 100,000 population increased by 3.7%. At the same time, the total number of assault offences increased by 5.3%. The number of assault offences arising from family incidents increased by 24.9%, while assaults not arising from family incidents decreased by 1.3%. The most common type of location where assaults occurred was in residential locations. The number of assaults occurring in residential locations increased by 12.8% between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011. The majority (55.1%) of assault victims were male. However, the number of female victims grew at a faster rate since 2009/2010, increasing by 11.0%.

## **Family Incidents**

During 2010/2011, there were 40,892 incidents where police submitted family incident reports. This was 14.6% higher than the 35,690 reports submitted in 2009/2010. There has been a steady rise in the reporting of family incidents since the introduction of the *Code of Practice for the Investigation of Family Violence* in August 2004, and legislative change brought about by the *Family Violence Protection Act* 2008. Offences related to family incidents, such as assaults and abduction/kidnap, have risen as a result of this increased reporting.

## **Crime against property**

In 2010/2011 there were 252,417 offences against property, a decrease of 3.4% compared with 2009/2010. Crime against property has decreased as a rate per 100,000 population by 4.9%.

In 2010/2011, there were 48,102 offences of property damage recorded by Victoria Police, a decrease of 8.1% compared to 2009/2010. Property damage offences arising from family incidents increased by 28.0%, while those not arising from family incidents decreased by 10.0%. Property damage offences arising from family incidents make up 6.7% of all property damage offences.

Residential burglaries and deception were the only types of crime against property that increased over the last financial year. The number of residential burglaries recorded increased 0.7%, to 27,531 in 2010/2011. The number of deception offences increased 1.5%, to 19,616 in 2010/2011.

The number of theft from motor vehicle offences recorded in 2010/2011 (45,435) was 1.7% lower than that recorded in 2009/2010. The number of theft of motor vehicle offences recorded in 2010/2011 (14,370) was 4.6% lower than the 15,068 recorded in 2009/2010, continuing a downward trend that has been seen over the past decade. Despite this trend, an increase of 11.8% was seen in theft of number plates, which was the most common type of property stolen.

## **Drug offences**

In 2010/2011 there were 14,789 drug offences recorded, an increase of 0.9% compared with 2009/2010. There was an increase of 4.4% for possession or use of drugs, but a decrease of 7.1% for the cultivation/manufacture or trafficking of drugs. Cannabis was the most common type of drug found in both possess/use offences and cultivation/manufacture/trafficking offences.

## **Other offences**

Other offences decreased by 6.1% in the last financial year. The largest percentage decrease in this category of crime was in regulated public order, which decreased by 34.8% compared with 2009/2010.

The number of offences recorded under the Behaviour in Public offence category in 2010/2011 (6,850) was 17.5% lower than the number recorded in 2009/2010. Behaviour in Public offences peaked in 2009/2010, after the introduction of the Safe Street Task-Force and the introduction of Penalty Infringement Notices (PINs) and Official Offender Warnings (OWRs) for offences "Behaves in a riotous indecent offensive or insulting manner" and "Uses profane indecent or obscene language or insulting words" on 1 July 2008.

There were 19,763 Justice Procedure offences in 2010/2011, an increase by 1.0% compared with 2009/2010. However, Justice Procedure offences not arising from family incidents decreased by 9.7%, while those arising from family incidents increased by 33.7%.

## 3 Total crime

### 3.1 Across Victoria

During 2010/2011, 359,079 offences were recorded as occurring in Victoria. The total number of offences recorded in 2010/2011 was 2.4% lower than in 2009/2010. As a rate of recorded offences per 100,000 population, there were 6,428.7 offences recorded in 2010/2011. This crime rate was 3.9% lower than the crime rate recorded during 2009/2010 and is the lowest rate per 100,000 population since the implementation of LEAP in March 1993.

**Figure 1: Summary of offences recorded and cleared, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

		Offences Recorded					Single Year Clearances			
		No.	No.	% Change from	Rate per 100,000		% Change from	No. Cleared	Rate (%) Cleared	Rate diff from
					Population*					
		2009/2010	2010/2011	2009/2010	2009/2010	2010/2011	2009/2010	2010/2011	2010/2011	2009/2010
Crime against the person	Homicide	206	152	-26.2	3.7	2.7	-27.3	133	87.5	-2.3
	Rape	1,670	1,826	9.3	30.4	32.7	7.7	1,349	73.9	-4.4
	Sex (non rape)	5,421	5,735	5.8	98.6	102.7	4.2	4,441	77.4	2.3
	Robbery	3,100	3,347	8.0	56.4	59.9	6.3	1,636	48.9	0.9
	Assault	35,100	36,962	5.3	638.2	661.7	3.7	29,867	80.8	0.0
	Abduction / Kidnap	427	489	14.5	7.8	8.8	12.8	405	82.8	3.0
	Sub-total	45,924	48,511	5.6	835.0	868.5	4.0	37,831	78.0	0.1
Crime against property	Arson	3,034	2,890	-4.7	55.2	51.7	-6.2	625	21.6	0.2
	Property damage	52,369	48,102	-8.1	952.2	861.2	-9.6	12,363	25.7	1.6
	Burglary (aggravated)	2,178	2,151	-1.2	39.6	38.5	-2.8	964	44.8	-5.0
	Burglary (residential)	27,347	27,531	0.7	497.2	492.9	-0.9	3,419	12.4	-1.6
	Burglary (other)	16,227	14,918	-8.1	295.0	267.1	-9.5	3,102	20.8	3.0
	Deception	19,318	19,616	1.5	351.2	351.2	0.0	14,300	72.9	-3.4
	Handle stolen goods	5,894	5,616	-4.7	107.2	100.5	-6.2	5,547	98.8	0.5
	Theft from motor vehicle	45,426	44,660	-1.7	826.0	799.6	-3.2	4,328	9.7	0.2
	Theft (shopsteal)	21,448	20,413	-4.8	390.0	365.5	-6.3	15,506	76.0	-2.0
	Theft of motor vehicle	15,068	14,370	-4.6	274.0	257.3	-6.1	3,015	21.0	0.0
	Theft of bicycle	4,394	4,025	-8.4	79.9	72.1	-9.8	345	8.6	-0.3
	Theft (other)	48,551	48,125	-0.9	882.8	861.6	-2.4	10,934	22.7	-0.2
	Sub-total	261,254	252,417	-3.4	4,750.3	4,519.1	-4.9	74,448	29.5	-0.1
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	4,472	4,153	-7.1	81.3	74.4	-8.6	4,056	97.7	-1.0
	Drug (possess, use)	10,189	10,636	4.4	185.3	190.4	2.8	10,482	98.6	-0.3
	Sub-total	14,661	14,789	0.9	266.6	264.8	-0.7	14,538	98.3	-0.5
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	555	397	-28.5	10.1	7.1	-29.6	387	97.5	-1.3
	Justice procedures	19,576	19,763	1.0	355.9	353.8	-0.6	18,304	92.6	-1.5
	Regulated public order	1,980	1,291	-34.8	36.0	23.1	-35.8	1,209	93.6	-1.6
	Weapons / Explosives	6,863	6,852	-0.2	124.8	122.7	-1.7	6,720	98.1	-0.1
	Harassment	2,936	2,897	-1.3	53.4	51.9	-2.8	2,259	78.0	-0.8
	Behaviour in public	8,305	6,850	-17.5	151.0	122.6	-18.8	6,659	97.2	-0.6
	Other	5,941	5,312	-10.6	108.0	95.1	-12.0	4,469	84.1	-0.9
Sub-total	46,156	43,362	-6.1	839.2	776.3	-7.5	40,007	92.3	-1.1	
TOTAL		367,995	359,079	-2.4	6,691.1	6,428.7	-3.9	166,824	46.5	0.1

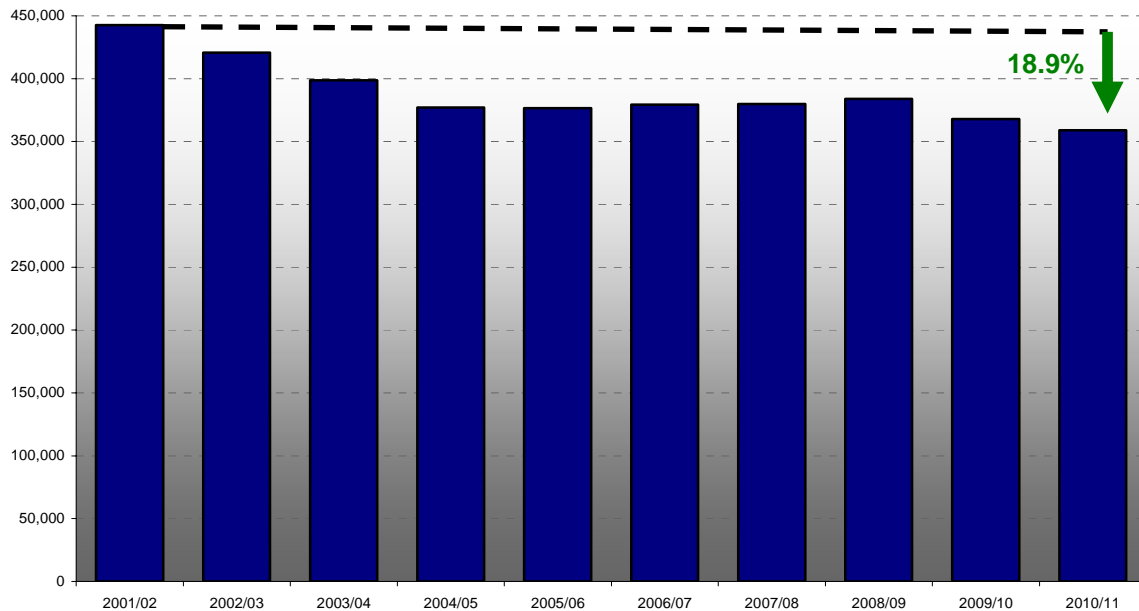
\* Rates were calculated using estimated resident population figures as at 31 December 2010 obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS Cat. No. 3101.0).

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## Recorded offences

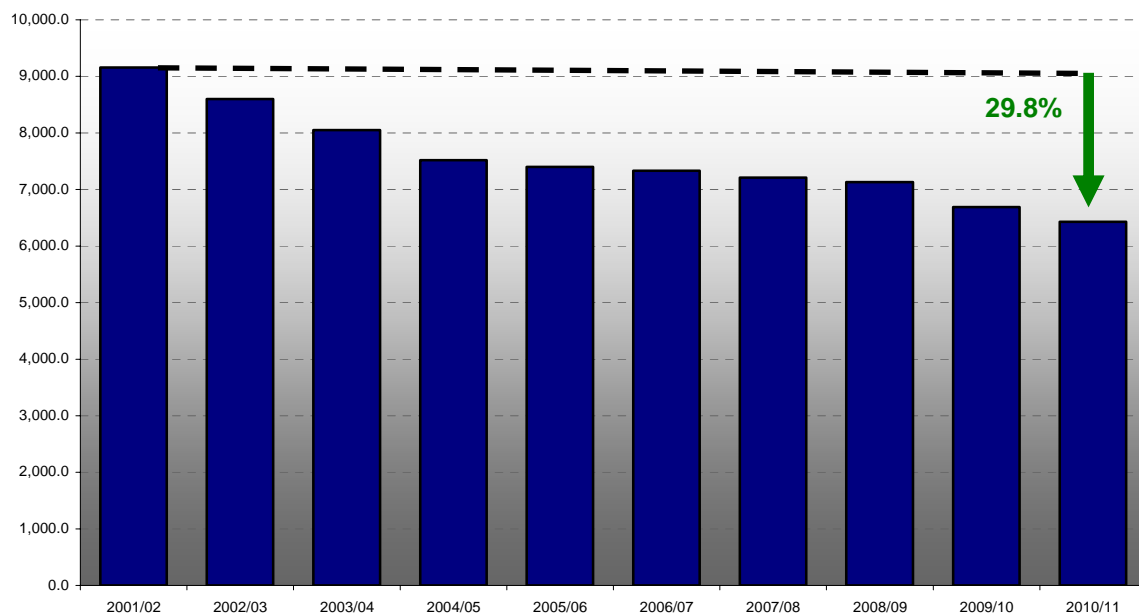
Since 2001/2002, the total number of recorded offences has decreased by 18.9%.

**Figure 2: Total offences recorded per year, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**



As a rate of offences per 100,000 population, total crime has decreased by 29.8% since 2001/2002.

**Figure 3: Total crime recorded per 100,000 population per year, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**

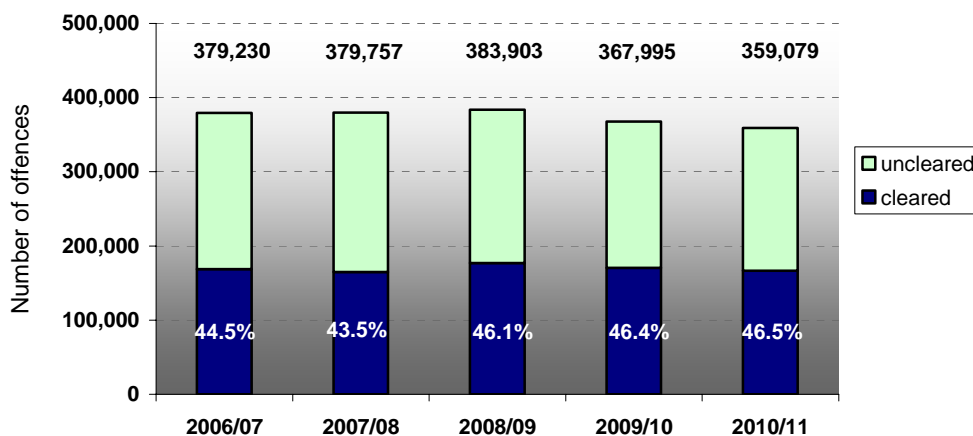


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## Cleared offences

Of the 359,079 offences recorded during 2010/2011, 166,824 were cleared within the same financial year. This gives a single year clearance rate of 46.5% (0.1 percentage points higher than the clearance rate recorded in 2009/2010). Over the last five years, the average single year clearance rate has been 45.4%. An additional 11,241 offences recorded prior to 2010/2011 were also cleared during 2010/2011.

**Figure 4: Recorded and cleared crime, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



Note: All figures with decimal places in the above table have been rounded to one decimal place.

**Figure 5: Offences recorded by status of investigation, 2010/2011**

		Status of Investigation as at 30 June 2011						Recorded Prior to 2010/11 and Cleared in 2010/2011
		Offences Recorded No. 2010/2011	Unsolved	Offender Processed	Complaint Withdrawn	No Offence Detected	Other	
Crime against the person	Homicide	152	18	129	0	1	4	12
	Rape	1,826	476	949	258	132	11	216
	Sex (non rape)	5,735	1,253	3,969	281	206	26	698
	Robbery	3,347	1,709	1,437	131	67	3	221
	Assault	36,962	6,928	25,575	3673	525	261	1,965
	Abduction / Kidnap	489	84	361	26	17	1	12
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>48,511</b>	<b>10,468</b>	<b>32,420</b>	<b>4369</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>3,124</b>
Crime against property	Arson	2,890	2,265	577	23	0	25	87
	Property damage	48,102	35,599	11,406	861	167	69	869
	Burglary (aggravated)	2,151	1,187	874	60	28	2	105
	Burglary (residential)	27,531	24,112	3,079	105	231	4	892
	Burglary (other)	14,918	11,815	3,038	8	47	10	654
	Deception	19,616	5,143	14,078	128	241	26	1,269
	Handle stolen goods	5,616	42	5,561	5	6	2	27
	Theft from motor vehicle	44,660	40,327	4,076	46	203	8	770
	Theft (shopsteal)	20,413	4,894	15,359	53	47	60	487
	Theft of motor vehicle	14,370	11,355	2,290	101	591	33	541
	Theft of bicycle	4,025	3,679	295	19	31	1	74
	Theft (other)	48,125	37,177	9,614	497	797	40	1,346
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>252,417</b>	<b>177,595</b>	<b>70,247</b>	<b>1906</b>	<b>2,389</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>7,121</b>
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	4,153	89	4,062	0	1	1	21
	Drug (possess, use)	10,636	146	10,460	0	18	12	52
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>14,789</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>14,522</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>73</b>
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	397	9	388	0	0	0	3
	Justice procedures	19,763	1,365	18,081	145	139	33	589
	Regulated public order	1,291	81	1,193	6	9	2	20
	Weapons / Explosives	6,852	119	6,713	4	10	6	33
	Harassment	2,897	626	2,117	119	23	12	159
	Behaviour in public	6,850	139	6,589	10	6	106	42
	Other	5,312	824	4,410	40	25	13	77
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>43,362</b>	<b>3,163</b>	<b>39,491</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>923</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>359,079</b>	<b>191,461</b>	<b>156,680</b>	<b>6599</b>	<b>3,568</b>	<b>771</b>	<b>11,241</b>

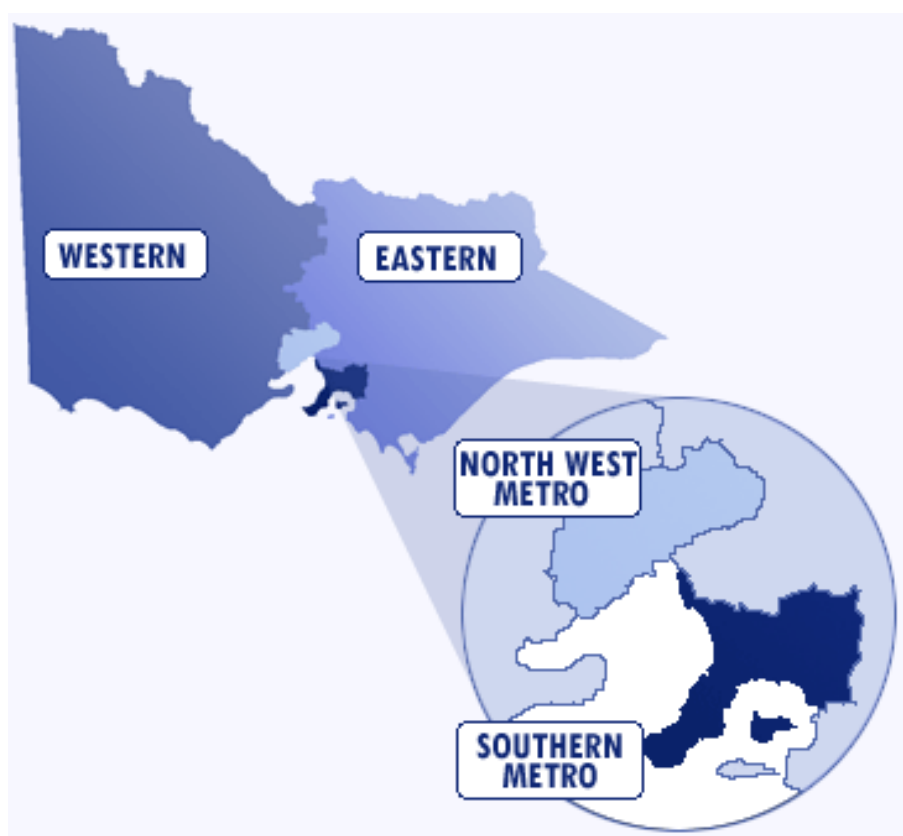


## 3.2 By region

For management of police responses, tasking and coordination, Victoria is divided into four geographical regions:

- Eastern Region
- North West Metro Region
- Southern Metro Region
- Western Region

**Figure 6: Victoria Police region boundaries**



## Eastern Region

Eastern Region experienced a 4.0% decrease in the number of offences during 2010/2011, to 77,664 offences. However, crime against the person rose by 8.9% to 10,753 offences. The largest percentage increases were seen in sex (non-rape) offences, which rose by 32.6%, rape (20.7% increase) and abduction/kidnap (23.2% increase). The largest percentage decreases were seen in going equipped to steal offences (49.1% decrease), regulated public order (32.8% decrease) and theft of bicycle (28.1% decrease).

**Figure 7: Eastern Region Offences recorded and cleared, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

		Offences Recorded					Single Year Clearances			
				% Change from 2009/2010	Rate per 100,000 Population*		% Change from 2009/2010	No.	Rate (%)	Rate diff
		No.	No.		2009/2010	2010/2011		Cleared 2010/2011	Cleared 2010/2011	from 2009/2010
		2009/2010	2010/2011		2009/2010	2010/2011		2010/2011	2010/2011	2009/2010
Crime against the person	Homicide	48	46	-4.2	3.1	2.9	-5.1	42	91.3	8.0
	Rape	348	420	20.7	22.3	26.6	19.5	319	76.0	-9.4
	Sex (non rape)	1,227	1,627	32.6	78.6	103.1	31.3	1,255	77.1	1.6
	Robbery	526	496	-5.7	33.7	31.4	-6.6	273	55.0	3.7
	Assault	7,642	8,063	5.5	489.3	511.1	4.5	6,674	82.8	-2.3
	Abduction / Kidnap	82	101	23.2	5.3	6.4	21.9	80	79.2	3.6
	Sub-total	9,873	10,753	8.9	632.2	681.6	7.8	8,643	80.4	-1.6
Crime against property	Arson	805	665	-17.4	51.5	42.2	-18.2	176	26.5	-3.0
	Property damage	12,654	11,823	-6.6	810.2	749.4	-7.5	3,163	26.8	2.8
	Burglary (aggravated)	429	414	-3.5	27.5	26.2	-4.5	212	51.2	-4.3
	Burglary (residential)	5,980	5,880	-1.7	382.9	372.7	-2.7	754	12.8	-1.4
	Burglary (other)	4,292	3,750	-12.6	274.8	237.7	-13.5	897	23.9	6.4
	Deception	3,922	3,889	-0.8	251.1	246.5	-1.8	2,979	76.6	-5.4
	Handle stolen goods	1,084	1,113	2.7	69.4	70.6	1.6	1,101	98.9	1.3
	Theft from motor vehicle	9,421	8,842	-6.1	603.2	560.5	-7.1	961	10.9	0.8
	Theft (shopsteal)	4,838	4,613	-4.7	309.8	292.4	-5.6	3,617	78.4	-0.5
	Theft of motor vehicle	2,686	2,554	-4.9	172.0	161.9	-5.9	627	24.5	-0.5
	Theft of bicycle	937	674	-28.1	60.0	42.7	-28.8	87	12.9	0.8
	Theft (other)	10,372	9,792	-5.6	664.1	620.7	-6.5	2,598	26.5	0.0
	Sub-total	57,420	54,009	-5.9	3,676.6	3,423.5	-6.9	17,172	31.8	1.0
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	893	837	-6.3	57.2	53.1	-7.2	826	98.7	-0.6
	Drug (possess, use)	1,922	1,879	-2.2	123.1	119.1	-3.2	1,854	98.7	-0.3
	Sub-total	2,815	2,716	-3.5	180.2	172.2	-4.5	2,680	98.7	-0.4
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	110	56	-49.1	7.0	3.5	-49.6	54	96.4	-3.6
	Justice procedures	4,594	4,699	2.3	294.1	297.9	1.3	4,444	94.6	-0.4
	Regulated public order	555	373	-32.8	35.5	23.6	-33.5	352	94.4	-1.5
	Weapons / Explosives	1,433	1,371	-4.3	91.8	86.9	-5.3	1,350	98.5	0.2
	Harassment	643	729	13.4	41.2	46.2	12.2	593	81.3	0.3
	Behaviour in public	1,815	1,713	-5.6	116.2	108.6	-6.6	1,633	95.3	-2.2
	Other	1,607	1,245	-22.5	102.9	78.9	-23.3	999	80.2	-3.4
	Sub-total	10,757	10,186	-5.3	688.8	645.7	-6.3	9,425	92.5	-0.9
TOTAL		80,865	77,664	-4.0	5,177.7	4,923.0	-4.9	37,920	48.8	1.1

\* Rates for Police Regions were calculated using estimated resident population figures as at 30 June 2010 obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS Cat. No. 3218.0).

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above table have been rounded to one decimal place.

## North West Metro Region

North West Metro Region experienced a 0.4% increase in the number of offences during 2010/2011, to 140,916 offences. Crime against the person rose by 7.2% to 17,853 offences. The largest percentage increases were seen in abduction/kidnap offences, which rose by 21.4% and robbery (16.5% increase). The largest percentage decreases were seen in behaviour in public offences (34.0% decrease) and regulated public order (32.9% decrease).

**Figure 8: North West Metro Region Offences recorded and cleared, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

		Offences Recorded				Single Year Clearances				
		No.	No.	% Change	Rate per 100,000		% Change	No.	Rate (%)	Rate diff
		2009/2010	2010/2011	from	Population*		from	Cleared	Cleared	from
				2009/2010	2009/2010	2010/2011	2009/2010	2010/2011	2010/2011	2009/2010
Crime against the person	Homicide	71	51	-28.2	4.3	3.0	-30.2	41	80.4	-9.7
	Rape	522	561	7.5	31.4	32.8	4.4	409	72.9	1.4
	Sex (non rape)	1,575	1,727	9.7	94.8	101.0	6.5	1,284	74.3	9.9
	Robbery	1,592	1,854	16.5	95.8	108.4	13.2	829	44.7	-0.7
	Assault	12,700	13,433	5.8	764.2	785.3	2.8	10,325	76.9	0.6
	Abduction / Kidnap	187	227	21.4	11.3	13.3	17.9	189	83.3	8.4
	Sub-total	16,647	17,853	7.2	1,001.6	1,043.7	4.2	13,077	73.2	1.2
Crime against property	Arson	986	1,044	5.9	59.3	61.0	2.9	154	14.8	2.1
	Property damage	16,137	15,624	-3.2	971.0	913.4	-5.9	3,691	23.6	2.8
	Burglary (aggravated)	883	877	-0.7	53.1	51.3	-3.5	325	37.1	-6.2
	Burglary (residential)	10,572	11,591	9.6	636.1	677.6	6.5	1,177	10.2	-2.6
	Burglary (other)	5,130	4,892	-4.6	308.7	286.0	-7.3	862	17.6	1.7
	Deception	9,497	8,190	-13.8	571.4	478.8	-16.2	5,455	66.6	-7.8
	Handle stolen goods	2,658	2,533	-4.7	159.9	148.1	-7.4	2,496	98.5	0.5
	Theft from motor vehicle	18,539	19,602	5.7	1,115.5	1,146.0	2.7	1,509	7.7	0.6
	Theft (shopsteal)	8,321	8,143	-2.1	500.7	476.1	-4.9	5,759	70.7	-4.6
	Theft of motor vehicle	6,689	6,648	-0.6	402.5	388.7	-3.4	1,075	16.2	0.5
	Theft of bicycle	1,571	1,712	9.0	94.5	100.1	5.9	106	6.2	0.0
	Theft (other)	19,679	20,413	3.7	1,184.1	1,193.4	0.8	4,001	19.6	-0.6
	Sub-total	100,662	101,269	0.6	6,056.8	5,920.5	-2.2	26,610	26.3	-1.9
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	1,929	1,889	-2.1	116.1	110.4	-4.9	1,827	96.7	-1.3
	Drug (possess, use)	4,468	4,770	6.8	268.8	278.9	3.7	4,682	98.2	-0.5
	Sub-total	6,397	6,659	4.1	384.9	389.3	1.1	6,509	97.7	-0.7
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	262	204	-22.1	15.8	11.9	-24.3	197	96.6	-2.7
	Justice procedures	6,914	6,785	-1.9	416.0	396.7	-4.6	6,233	91.9	-2.1
	Regulated public order	477	320	-32.9	28.7	18.7	-34.8	302	94.4	-0.2
	Weapons / Explosives	2,595	2,659	2.5	156.1	155.5	-0.4	2,609	98.1	-0.3
	Harassment	878	1,015	15.6	52.8	59.3	12.3	776	76.5	3.3
	Behaviour in public	3,401	2,243	-34.0	204.6	131.1	-35.9	2,197	97.9	0.1
	Other	2,142	1,909	-10.9	128.9	111.6	-13.4	1,675	87.7	0.1
	Sub-total	16,669	15,135	-9.2	1,003.0	884.8	-11.8	13,989	92.4	-1.2
TOTAL		140,375	140,916	0.4	8,446.3	8,238.4	-2.5	60,185	42.7	-1.7

\* Rates for Police Regions were calculated using estimated resident population figures as at 30 June 2010 obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS Cat. No. 3218.0).

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## Southern Metro Region

Southern Metro Region experienced a 4.8% decrease in the number of offences during 2010/2011, to 83,596 offences. Crime against the person rose by 5.1% to 11,832 offences. The largest increase was seen in deception offences, which rose by 26.3% to 5,288 offences. Much of the decrease in overall crime was due to a decrease of 15.2% in property damage, from 12,753 offences in 2009/2010 to 10,812 in 2010/2011. A decrease of 11.3% in theft from motor vehicle also contributed to the decrease.

**Figure 9: Southern Metro Region Offences recorded and cleared, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

		Offences Recorded					Single Year Clearances			
				% Change from 2009/2010	Rate per 100,000 Population*		% Change from 2009/2010	No. Cleared 2010/2011	Rate (%) Cleared 2010/2011	Rate diff from 2009/2010
		No.	No.							
		2009/2010	2010/2011		2009/2010	2010/2011				
Crime against the person	Homicide	52	23	-55.8	4.0	1.7	-56.5	18	78.3	-16.0
	Rape	478	475	-0.6	36.6	35.7	-2.4	339	71.4	-8.8
	Sex (non rape)	1,355	1,221	-9.9	103.7	91.8	-11.5	911	74.6	-1.1
	Robbery	778	796	2.3	59.5	59.8	0.5	427	53.6	4.2
	Assault	8,498	9,215	8.4	650.1	692.5	6.5	7,494	81.3	0.5
	Abduction / Kidnap	98	102	4.1	7.5	7.7	2.3	85	83.3	-3.4
	Sub-total	11,259	11,832	5.1	861.3	889.2	3.2	9,274	78.4	0.2
Crime against property	Arson	688	655	-4.8	52.6	49.2	-6.5	124	18.9	-1.6
	Property damage	12,753	10,812	-15.2	975.5	812.6	-16.7	2,830	26.2	0.1
	Burglary (aggravated)	465	520	11.8	35.6	39.1	9.9	256	49.2	-1.1
	Burglary (residential)	6,642	6,054	-8.9	508.1	455.0	-10.5	900	14.9	0.5
	Burglary (other)	4,124	3,353	-18.7	315.5	252.0	-20.1	657	19.6	3.2
	Deception	4,186	5,288	26.3	320.2	397.4	24.1	3,967	75.0	2.2
	Handle stolen goods	1,301	1,202	-7.6	99.5	90.3	-9.2	1,188	98.8	-0.4
	Theft from motor vehicle	11,803	10,474	-11.3	902.9	787.2	-12.8	1,113	10.6	-0.2
	Theft (shopsteal)	5,691	5,205	-8.5	435.3	391.2	-10.1	4,146	79.7	-0.3
	Theft of motor vehicle	3,799	3,297	-13.2	290.6	247.8	-14.7	808	24.5	0.1
	Theft of bicycle	1,078	950	-11.9	82.5	71.4	-13.4	72	7.6	0.6
	Theft (other)	10,563	10,415	-1.4	808.0	782.7	-3.1	2,566	24.6	2.5
	Sub-total	63,093	58,225	-7.7	4,826.3	4,375.8	-9.3	18,627	32.0	2.1
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	957	865	-9.6	73.2	65.0	-11.2	853	98.6	-0.6
	Drug (possess, use)	2,331	2,587	11.0	178.3	194.4	9.0	2,563	99.1	0.4
	Sub-total	3,288	3,452	5.0	251.5	259.4	3.1	3,416	99.0	0.2
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	122	85	-30.3	9.3	6.4	-31.6	85	100.0	1.6
	Justice procedures	4,744	4,964	4.6	362.9	373.1	2.8	4,493	90.5	-2.1
	Regulated public order	450	310	-31.1	34.4	23.3	-32.3	281	90.6	-2.9
	Weapons / Explosives	1,561	1,563	0.1	119.4	117.5	-1.6	1,531	98.0	0.3
	Harassment	886	706	-20.3	67.8	53.1	-21.7	511	72.4	-5.3
	Behaviour in public	1,449	1,345	-7.2	110.8	101.1	-8.8	1,311	97.5	-0.5
	Other	993	1,114	12.2	76.0	83.7	10.2	952	85.5	1.0
	Sub-total	10,205	10,087	-1.2	780.6	758.1	-2.9	9,164	90.8	-1.3
TOTAL		87,845	83,596	-4.8	6,719.7	6,282.5	-6.5	40,481	48.4	2.5

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## Western Region

Western Region experienced a 3.4% decrease in the number of offences during 2010/2011, to 56,726 offences. Crime against the person also fell, by 0.9%. The largest increase was seen in deception offences, which rose by 32.8% to 2,228 offences. Much of the decrease in overall crime was due to a decrease of 9.1% in property damage, from 10,825 offences in 2009/2010 to 9,843 in 2010/2011.

**Figure 10: Western Region Offences recorded and cleared, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

		Offences Recorded				Single Year Clearances				
		No.	No.	% Change	Rate per 100,000		% Change	No.	Rate (%)	Rate diff
		2009/2010	2010/2011	from	Population*		from	Cleared	Cleared	from
				2009/2010	2009/2010	2010/2011	2009/2010	2010/2011	2010/2011	2009/2010
Crime against the person	Homicide	35	32	-8.6	3.8	3.5	-9.7	32	100.0	8.6
	Rape	322	369	14.6	35.2	39.8	13.2	282	76.4	-2.8
	Sex (non rape)	1,264	1,159	-8.3	138.1	125.0	-9.5	990	85.4	-1.8
	Robbery	204	201	-1.5	22.3	21.7	-2.7	107	53.2	-0.7
	Assault	6,259	6,250	-0.1	683.6	674.0	-1.4	5,373	86.0	1.1
	Abduction / Kidnap	60	59	-1.7	6.6	6.4	-2.9	51	86.4	-3.6
	Sub-total	8,144	8,070	-0.9	889.5	870.3	-2.2	6,835	84.7	0.4
Crime against property	Arson	555	526	-5.2	60.6	56.7	-6.4	171	32.5	6.2
	Property damage	10,825	9,843	-9.1	1,182.3	1,061.5	-10.2	2,679	27.2	0.3
	Burglary (aggravated)	401	340	-15.2	43.8	36.7	-16.3	171	50.3	-7.3
	Burglary (residential)	4,153	4,006	-3.5	453.6	432.0	-4.8	588	14.7	-1.9
	Burglary (other)	2,680	2,923	9.1	292.7	315.2	7.7	686	23.5	-0.7
	Deception	1,678	2,228	32.8	183.3	240.3	31.1	1,887	84.7	2.3
	Handle stolen goods	849	768	-9.5	92.7	82.8	-10.7	762	99.2	0.6
	Theft from motor vehicle	5,541	5,664	2.2	605.2	610.8	0.9	745	13.2	-0.8
	Theft (shopsteal)	2,598	2,452	-5.6	283.8	264.4	-6.8	1,984	80.9	1.0
	Theft of motor vehicle	1,894	1,871	-1.2	206.9	201.8	-2.5	505	27.0	-0.4
	Theft of bicycle	808	689	-14.7	88.3	74.3	-15.8	80	11.6	-1.1
	Theft (other)	7,893	7,444	-5.7	862.1	802.8	-6.9	1,768	23.8	-2.1
	Sub-total	39,875	38,754	-2.8	4,355.2	4,179.3	-4.0	12,026	31.0	0.0
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	693	562	-18.9	75.7	60.6	-19.9	550	97.9	-1.4
	Drug (possess, use)	1,468	1,400	-4.6	160.3	151.0	-5.8	1,383	98.8	-0.7
	Sub-total	2,161	1,962	-9.2	236.0	211.6	-10.4	1,933	98.5	-0.9
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	61	52	-14.8	6.7	5.6	-15.8	51	98.1	3.0
	Justice procedures	3,323	3,303	-0.6	362.9	356.2	-1.9	3,123	94.6	-0.7
	Regulated public order	498	288	-42.2	54.4	31.1	-42.9	274	95.1	-1.4
	Weapons / Explosives	1,274	1,259	-1.2	139.1	135.8	-2.4	1,230	97.7	-0.3
	Harassment	528	447	-15.3	57.7	48.2	-16.4	379	84.8	-2.5
	Behaviour in public	1,640	1,549	-5.5	179.1	167.0	-6.7	1,518	98.0	0.1
	Other	1,199	1,042	-13.1	131.0	112.4	-14.2	842	80.8	-2.0
	Sub-total	8,523	7,940	-6.8	930.9	856.3	-8.0	7,417	93.4	-0.6
TOTAL		58,703	56,726	-3.4	6,411.6	6,117.5	-4.6	28,211	49.7	-0.3

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### 3.3 Where crime occurred

In 2010/2011, 35.7% of all offences occurred in residential locations. This was the most common type of location where offences occurred, followed by street/lane/footpaths (17.3%) and retail/financial locations (16.8%).

Residential locations were the only type of location to experience an increase in the number of offences between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011, of 1.4%. In particular, crime against the person increased in residential locations by 10.8%. A large majority of this increase can be attributed to the rise in family incident reports.

**Figure 11: Offences recorded by type of location, 2010/2011**

	Residential	Retail / Financial	Street / Lane / Footpath	Educ. / Health / Religious	Public Transport	Other Transport	Sports / Recreation Facilities	Licensed Premises	Open Space	Other Community	Other *	TOTAL
<b>Crime Against The Person</b>												
Homicide	58	1	76	1	0	1	2	1	3	0	9	152
Rape	1,258	24	103	50	14	37	9	18	115	2	196	1,826
Sex (non rape)	3,139	226	549	251	193	92	129	41	349	7	759	5,735
Robbery	158	741	1,507	18	368	97	26	55	166	1	210	3,347
Assault	16,185	2,271	9,948	932	1,284	941	506	1,484	680	36	2,695	36,962
Abduction / Kidnap	264	28	101	4	14	12	7	5	16	0	38	489
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>21,062</b>	<b>3,291</b>	<b>12,284</b>	<b>1,256</b>	<b>1,873</b>	<b>1,180</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>1,604</b>	<b>1,329</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>3,907</b>	<b>48,511</b>
<b>Crime Against Property</b>												
Arson	879	101	623	145	35	229	85	2	433	10	348	2,890
Property Damage	20,635	5,051	9,521	2,396	1,361	2,557	665	421	802	185	4,508	48,102
Burglary (Aggravated)	2,073	33	9	6	0	1	1	5	0	0	23	2,151
Burglary (Residential)	27,531	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	27,531
Burglary (Other)	n/a	5,508	20	2,525	29	57	1,145	377	189	120	4,948	14,918
Deception	3,098	7,889	734	290	222	91	65	154	14	4	7,055	19,616
Handle Stolen Goods	1,326	479	1,291	40	89	151	19	19	24	0	2,178	5,616
Theft From Motor Vehicle	15,652	971	12,998	304	963	6,320	346	105	474	56	6,471	44,660
Theft (Shopsteal)	18	18,481	50	15	8	14	20	559	3	1	1,244	20,413
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	3,744	775	6,346	60	660	896	64	111	64	1	1,649	14,370
Theft Of Bicycle	2,048	178	607	281	294	223	59	16	96	9	214	4,025
Theft (Other)	12,607	15,442	2,572	2,720	1,198	697	1,669	2,585	1,176	216	7,243	48,125
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>89,611</b>	<b>54,908</b>	<b>34,771</b>	<b>8,782</b>	<b>4,859</b>	<b>11,236</b>	<b>4,138</b>	<b>4,354</b>	<b>3,275</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>35,881</b>	<b>252,417</b>
<b>Drug Offences</b>												
Drug (Cult., Manuf., Traff.)	2,218	72	884	4	23	110	17	19	35	2	769	4,153
Drug (Possess, Use)	2,416	277	3,946	148	390	949	141	80	231	2	2,056	10,636
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>4,634</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>4,830</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>1,059</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2,825</b>	<b>14,789</b>
<b>Other Crime</b>												
Going Equipped To Steal	27	37	153	4	17	20	0	0	2	1	136	397
Justice Procedures	7,364	399	2,198	161	148	128	56	99	98	6	9,106	19,763
Regulated Public Order	279	42	355	15	76	31	36	144	67	0	246	1,291
Weapons / Explosives	1,888	289	2,286	64	296	288	35	59	136	1	1,510	6,852
Harassment	1,530	115	262	52	22	17	16	4	19	0	860	2,897
Behaviour in Public	207	352	4,200	62	214	285	111	205	151	3	1,060	6,850
Other	1,481	473	919	334	482	119	85	207	104	2	1,106	5,312
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>12,776</b>	<b>1,707</b>	<b>10,373</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>718</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14,024</b>	<b>43,362</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>128,083</b>	<b>60,255</b>	<b>62,258</b>	<b>10,882</b>	<b>8,400</b>	<b>14,363</b>	<b>5,314</b>	<b>6,775</b>	<b>5,447</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>56,637</b>	<b>359,079</b>
<b>Percentage (%)</b>	<b>35.7%</b>	<b>16.8%</b>	<b>17.3%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\* Other includes: Justice, Administrative/Professional, Wholesale, Warehouse/Storage, Manufacturing, Agricultural, Other Location and unspecified locations.

**Figure 12: Offences recorded by type of location, % change from 2009/2010 to 2010/2011**

	Residential	Retail / Financial	Street / Lane / Footpath	Educ. / Health / Religious	Public Transport	Other Transport	Sports / Recreation Facilities	Licensed Premises	Open Space	Other Community	Other *	TOTAL
<b>Crime Against The Person</b>												
Homicide	-33.3	-80.0	-20.0	-50.0	-100.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	-25.0	n/a	0.0	-26.2
Rape	15.7	300.0	24.1	-65.3	40.0	32.1	-18.2	-21.7	-1.7	n/a	21.7	9.3
Sex (non rape)	-0.3	27.7	-8.2	-6.7	4.9	53.3	19.4	0.0	11.5	40.0	46.5	5.8
Robbery	-3.7	28.6	-0.9	-43.8	12.2	-3.0	-7.1	77.4	-5.7	n/a	44.8	8.0
Assault	12.8	3.3	-2.0	1.3	-0.3	8.9	-1.7	-10.2	-15.1	28.6	15.5	5.3
Abduction / Kidnap	46.7	27.3	-20.5	-42.9	-6.7	-40.0	40.0	0.0	-5.9	-100.0	35.7	14.5
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>-2.3</b>	<b>-8.6</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>-8.6</b>	<b>-6.9</b>	<b>35.3</b>	<b>22.3</b>	<b>5.6</b>
<b>Crime Against Property</b>												
Arson	-2.3	-12.2	8.5	-12.1	52.2	5.0	-28.0	-50.0	-28.1	25.0	13.4	-4.7
Property Damage	-7.1	-10.3	-6.9	-12.4	4.5	-3.9	-24.3	-9.3	-16.2	-6.6	-11.7	-8.1
Burglary (Aggravated)	0.0	-21.4	28.6	-62.5	n/a	0.0	-80.0	-50.0	n/a	-100.0	4.5	-1.2
Burglary (Residential)	0.7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.7
Burglary (Other)	n/a	-5.8	-45.9	-7.3	31.8	0.0	-20.2	6.2	-23.8	0.8	-8.0	-8.1
Deception	101.2	-8.8	-15.2	147.9	-44.8	62.5	-77.1	15.8	-12.5	-33.3	-2.7	1.5
Handle Stolen Goods	-15.0	0.4	-2.6	66.7	-12.7	24.8	-29.6	-42.4	-22.6	-100.0	-0.5	-4.7
Theft From Motor Vehicle	-1.6	-6.8	-3.8	-5.0	-11.4	-5.6	1.5	-3.7	-20.6	55.6	11.9	-1.7
Theft (Shopsteal)	-28.0	-5.6	-15.3	0.0	60.0	75.0	25.0	27.6	0.0	-50.0	-5.0	-4.8
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	0.9	-17.4	-4.4	-31.8	-16.6	-12.8	-36.6	-6.7	-13.5	0.0	4.5	-4.6
Theft Of Bicycle	-8.9	-1.1	-6.5	-7.9	-12.8	19.9	0.0	33.3	-27.3	12.5	-23.0	-8.4
Theft (Other)	-1.3	6.9	-9.8	-10.3	-6.5	0.3	-14.3	-3.8	-13.2	-18.8	0.4	-0.9
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>-3.6</b>	<b>-5.4</b>	<b>-8.0</b>	<b>-9.2</b>	<b>-4.1</b>	<b>-20.6</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-18.4</b>	<b>-7.2</b>	<b>-1.5</b>	<b>-3.4</b>
<b>Drug Offences</b>												
Drug (Cult., Manuf., Traff.)	-10.3	-16.3	6.0	-71.4	35.3	20.9	-58.5	-66.1	-7.9	-33.3	-6.0	-7.1
Drug (Possess, Use)	0.7	28.8	3.9	82.7	19.6	20.1	15.6	-30.4	-5.3	-60.0	-1.9	4.4
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>-4.9</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>20.4</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>-3.1</b>	<b>-42.1</b>	<b>-5.7</b>	<b>-50.0</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>0.9</b>
<b>Other Crime</b>												
Going Equipped To Steal	-3.6	-54.9	-25.7	-20.0	112.5	33.3	-100.0	-100.0	n/a	n/a	-33.0	-28.5
Justice Procedures	11.2	3.4	-8.1	20.1	-3.3	-18.5	-22.2	4.2	-10.1	n/a	-3.7	1.0
Regulated Public Order	-33.9	-22.2	-44.5	-42.3	-39.7	3.3	-25.0	-35.4	-63.0	-100.0	7.9	-34.8
Weapons / Explosives	-1.3	-1.4	-3.5	-41.3	-6.9	41.9	-7.9	37.2	-20.0	-75.0	7.5	-0.2
Harassment	-3.2	51.3	-3.7	-10.3	-18.5	142.9	128.6	-50.0	-5.0	-100.0	-2.2	-1.3
Behaviour in Public	-17.9	13.2	-24.1	-11.4	0.9	53.2	-16.5	0.5	-5.0	-62.5	-14.5	-17.5
Other	11.9	-20.9	-8.9	-14.6	3.9	-23.7	-31.5	-35.9	-47.7	-71.4	-17.9	-10.6
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>-5.2</b>	<b>-16.5</b>	<b>-12.7</b>	<b>-4.1</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>-19.9</b>	<b>-20.5</b>	<b>-31.1</b>	<b>-40.9</b>	<b>-5.0</b>	<b>-6.1</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>-2.9</b>	<b>-6.2</b>	<b>-7.8</b>	<b>-4.9</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-17.8</b>	<b>-5.8</b>	<b>-17.0</b>	<b>-6.7</b>	<b>-1.1</b>	<b>-2.4</b>

**Figure 13: Offences recorded as rate per 100,000 population by type of location, 2010/2011**

	Residential	Retail / Financial	Street / Lane / Footpath	Educ. / Health / Religious	Public Transport	Other Transport	Sports / Recreation Facilities	Licensed Premises	Open Space	Other Community	Other *	TOTAL
<b>Crime Against The Person</b>												
Homicide	1.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	2.7
Rape	22.5	0.4	1.8	0.9	0.3	0.7	0.2	0.3	2.1	0.0	3.5	32.7
Sex (non rape)	56.2	4.0	9.8	4.5	3.5	1.6	2.3	0.7	6.2	0.1	13.6	102.7
Robbery	2.8	13.3	27.0	0.3	6.6	1.7	0.5	1.0	3.0	0.0	3.8	59.9
Assault	289.8	40.7	178.1	16.7	23.0	16.8	9.1	26.6	12.2	0.6	48.2	661.7
Abduction / Kidnap	4.7	0.5	1.8	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.7	8.8
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>377.1</b>	<b>58.9</b>	<b>219.9</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>33.5</b>	<b>21.1</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>28.7</b>	<b>23.8</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>69.9</b>	<b>868.5</b>
<b>Crime Against Property</b>												
Arson	15.7	1.8	11.2	2.6	0.6	4.1	1.5	0.0	7.8	0.2	6.2	51.7
Property Damage	369.4	90.4	170.5	42.9	24.4	45.8	11.9	7.5	14.4	3.3	80.7	861.2
Burglary (Aggravated)	37.1	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	38.5
Burglary (Residential)	492.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	492.9
Burglary (Other)	0.0	98.6	0.4	45.2	0.5	1.0	20.5	6.7	3.4	2.1	88.6	267.1
Deception	55.5	141.2	13.1	5.2	4.0	1.6	1.2	2.8	0.3	0.1	126.3	351.2
Handle Stolen Goods	23.7	8.6	23.1	0.7	1.6	2.7	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.0	39.0	100.5
Theft From Motor Vehicle	280.2	17.4	232.7	5.4	17.2	113.1	6.2	1.9	8.5	1.0	115.9	799.6
Theft (Shopsteal)	0.3	330.9	0.9	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.4	10.0	0.1	0.0	22.3	365.5
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	67.0	13.9	113.6	1.1	11.8	16.0	1.1	2.0	1.1	0.0	29.5	257.3
Theft Of Bicycle	36.7	3.2	10.9	5.0	5.3	4.0	1.1	0.3	1.7	0.2	3.8	72.1
Theft (Other)	225.7	276.5	46.0	48.7	21.4	12.5	29.9	46.3	21.1	3.9	129.7	861.6
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1,604.3</b>	<b>983.0</b>	<b>622.5</b>	<b>157.2</b>	<b>87.0</b>	<b>201.2</b>	<b>74.1</b>	<b>78.0</b>	<b>58.6</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>642.4</b>	<b>4,519.1</b>
<b>Drug Offences</b>												
Drug (Cult., Manuf., Traff.)	39.7	1.3	15.8	0.1	0.4	2.0	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.0	13.8	74.4
Drug (Possess, Use)	43.3	5.0	70.6	2.6	7.0	17.0	2.5	1.4	4.1	0.0	36.8	190.4
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>83.0</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>86.5</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>50.6</b>	<b>264.8</b>
<b>Other Crime</b>												
Going Equipped To Steal	0.5	0.7	2.7	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	7.1
Justice Procedures	131.8	7.1	39.4	2.9	2.6	2.3	1.0	1.8	1.8	0.1	163.0	353.8
Regulated Public Order	5.0	0.8	6.4	0.3	1.4	0.6	0.6	2.6	1.2	0.0	4.4	23.1
Weapons / Explosives	33.8	5.2	40.9	1.1	5.3	5.2	0.6	1.1	2.4	0.0	27.0	122.7
Harassment	27.4	2.1	4.7	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.0	15.4	51.9
Behaviour in Public	3.7	6.3	75.2	1.1	3.8	5.1	2.0	3.7	2.7	0.1	19.0	122.6
Other	26.5	8.5	16.5	6.0	8.6	2.1	1.5	3.7	1.9	0.0	19.8	95.1
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>228.7</b>	<b>30.6</b>	<b>185.7</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>251.1</b>	<b>776.3</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,293.1</b>	<b>1,078.8</b>	<b>1,114.6</b>	<b>194.8</b>	<b>150.4</b>	<b>257.1</b>	<b>95.1</b>	<b>121.3</b>	<b>97.5</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>1,014.0</b>	<b>6,428.7</b>
<b>Percentage (%)</b>	<b>35.7%</b>	<b>16.8%</b>	<b>17.3%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\* Other includes: Justice, Administrative/Professional, Wholesale, Warehouse/Storage, Manufacturing, Agricultural, Other Location and unspecified locations.

**Figure 14: Offences recorded as rate per 100,000 population by type of location, % change from 2009/2010 to 2010/2011**

	Residential	Retail / Financial	Street / Lane / Footpath	Educ. / Health / Religious	Public Transport	Other Transport	Sports / Recreation Facilities	Licensed Premises	Open Space	Other Community	Other *	TOTAL
<b>Crime Against The Person</b>												
Homicide	-34.4	-80.3	-21.2	-50.8	-100.0	-1.5	96.9	-1.5	-26.2	n/a	-1.5	-27.3
Rape	14.0	293.9	22.2	-65.8	37.9	30.1	-19.4	-22.9	-3.2	n/a	19.9	7.7
Sex (non rape)	-1.8	25.7	-9.6	-8.1	3.3	51.0	17.6	-1.5	9.8	37.9	44.3	4.2
Robbery	-5.1	26.7	-2.4	-44.6	10.5	-4.5	-8.6	74.7	-7.1	n/a	42.6	6.3
Assault	11.1	1.7	-3.5	-0.3	-1.8	7.2	-3.3	-11.6	-16.4	26.6	13.7	3.7
Abduction / Kidnap	44.4	25.3	-21.7	-43.7	-8.1	-40.9	37.9	-1.5	-7.3	-100.0	33.6	12.8
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>-3.8</b>	<b>-10.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-10.0</b>	<b>-8.4</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>20.4</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>Crime Against Property</b>												
Arson	-3.8	-13.5	6.9	-13.5	49.8	3.4	-29.1	-50.8	-29.2	23.1	11.6	-6.2
Property Damage	-8.5	-11.7	-8.3	-13.7	2.9	-5.3	-25.4	-10.7	-17.5	-8.0	-13.0	-9.6
Burglary (Aggravated)	-1.6	-22.6	26.6	-63.1	n/a	-1.5	-80.3	-50.8	n/a	-100.0	2.9	-2.8
Burglary (Residential)	-0.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	-0.9
Burglary (Other)	n/a	-7.3	-46.8	-8.7	29.8	-1.5	-21.4	4.6	-25.0	-0.7	-9.5	-9.5
Deception	98.1	-10.2	-16.5	144.1	-45.6	60.0	-77.5	14.0	-13.8	-34.4	-4.2	0.0
Handle Stolen Goods	-16.3	-1.1	-4.1	64.1	-14.1	22.9	-30.7	-43.3	-23.8	-100.0	-2.0	-6.2
Theft From Motor Vehicle	-3.1	-8.2	-5.3	-6.5	-12.8	-7.0	-0.1	-5.1	-21.8	53.2	10.2	-3.2
Theft (Shopsteal)	-29.1	-7.0	-16.6	-1.5	57.5	72.3	23.1	25.7	-1.5	-50.8	-6.4	-6.3
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	-0.7	-18.6	-5.9	-32.9	-17.8	-14.1	-37.6	-8.2	-14.8	-1.5	2.9	-6.1
Theft Of Bicycle	-10.3	-2.6	-7.9	-9.3	-14.1	18.1	-1.5	31.3	-28.4	10.8	-24.2	-9.8
Theft (Other)	-2.9	5.3	-11.2	-11.7	-7.9	-1.3	-15.6	-5.3	-14.5	-20.0	-1.1	-2.4
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>-2.3</b>	<b>-5.0</b>	<b>-6.9</b>	<b>-9.4</b>	<b>-10.6</b>	<b>-5.6</b>	<b>-21.8</b>	<b>-1.8</b>	<b>-19.7</b>	<b>-8.7</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>-4.9</b>
<b>Drug Offences</b>												
Drug (Cult., Manuf., Traff.)	-11.7	-17.6	4.4	-71.9	33.2	19.0	-59.2	-66.6	-9.3	-34.4	-7.4	-8.6
Drug (Possess, Use)	-0.8	26.9	2.3	79.9	17.8	18.3	13.8	-31.5	-6.8	-60.6	-3.4	2.8
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>-6.4</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>57.5</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>-4.6</b>	<b>-43.0</b>	<b>-7.1</b>	<b>-50.8</b>	<b>-4.5</b>	<b>-0.7</b>
<b>Other Crime</b>												
Going Equipped To Steal	-5.1	-55.6	-26.9	-21.2	109.2	31.3	-100.0	-100.0	n/a	n/a	-34.0	-29.6
Justice Procedures	9.5	1.8	-9.5	18.3	-4.8	-19.7	-23.4	2.6	-11.5	n/a	-5.2	-0.6
Regulated Public Order	-34.9	-23.4	-45.4	-43.2	-40.6	1.7	-26.2	-36.4	-63.6	-100.0	6.2	-35.8
Weapons /Explosives	-2.8	-2.9	-4.9	-42.2	-8.3	39.7	-9.3	35.1	-21.2	-75.4	5.9	-1.7
Harassment	-4.7	49.0	-5.2	-11.7	-19.8	139.1	125.1	-50.8	-6.5	-100.0	-3.7	-2.8
Behaviour in Public	-19.1	11.4	-25.2	-12.8	-0.6	50.9	-17.8	-1.1	-6.5	-63.1	-15.8	-18.8
Other	10.2	-22.1	-10.3	-15.9	2.3	-24.9	-32.5	-36.9	-48.5	-71.9	-19.2	-12.0
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>-6.6</b>	<b>-17.7</b>	<b>-14.1</b>	<b>-5.5</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>-21.1</b>	<b>-21.7</b>	<b>-32.2</b>	<b>-41.8</b>	<b>-6.4</b>	<b>-7.5</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-4.3</b>	<b>-7.6</b>	<b>-9.2</b>	<b>-6.3</b>	<b>-2.0</b>	<b>-19.1</b>	<b>-7.2</b>	<b>-18.3</b>	<b>-8.2</b>	<b>-2.6</b>	<b>-3.9</b>

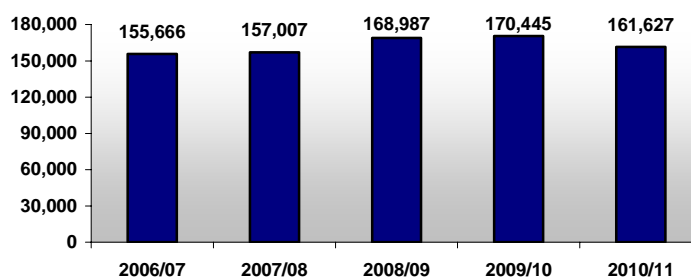
\* Other includes: Justice, Administrative/Professional, Wholesale, Warehouse/Storage, Manufacturing, Agricultural, Other Location and unspecified locations.

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above tables have been rounded to one decimal place.

### 3.4 Alleged offenders processed

Victoria Police processed a total of 161,627 alleged offenders in 2010/2011, a decrease of 5.2% compared with the 170,445 processed in 2009/2010.

**Figure 15: Alleged offenders processed per year, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



There were 129,274 adults processed during 2010/2011, which was a decrease of 3.2% on the 133,568 processed in 2009/2010. There were 31,353 juvenile offenders processed in 2010/2011 which was a decrease of 12.7% on the 35,900 processed in 2009/2010.



**Figure 16: Alleged juvenile and adult offenders processed by offence, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

	Juveniles (<18)			Adults			Total persons*		
	No. 2009/10	No. 2010/11	% Change from 2009/10	No. 2009/10	No. 2010/11	% Change from 2009/10	No. 2009/10	No. 2010/11	% Change from 2009/10
<b>Crime against the person</b>									
Homicide	3	8	166.7	233	131	-43.8	237	139	-41.4
Rape	156	120	-23.1	705	788	11.8	871	912	4.7
Sex (non rape)	472	421	-10.8	2,381	2,406	1.0	2,869	2,860	-0.3
Robbery	1,203	1,169	-2.8	1,255	1,553	23.7	2,467	2,726	10.5
Assault	4,979	5,101	2.5	24,125	24,479	1.5	29,277	29,766	1.7
Abduction / Kidnap	59	46	-22.0	382	452	18.3	445	500	12.4
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>6,872</b>	<b>6,865</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>29,081</b>	<b>29,809</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>36,166</b>	<b>36,903</b>	<b>2.0</b>
<b>Crime against property</b>									
Arson	387	338	-12.7	612	444	-27.5	1,003	786	-21.6
Property damage	5,005	4,489	-10.3	9,144	8,540	-6.6	14,266	13,115	-8.1
Burglary (aggravated)	336	206	-38.7	1,190	1,125	-5.5	1,533	1,335	-12.9
Burglary (residential)	1,504	1,110	-26.2	4,187	3,734	-10.8	5,705	4,867	-14.7
Burglary (other)	1,814	1,583	-12.7	3,402	3,309	-2.7	5,236	4,914	-6.1
Deception	470	334	-28.9	8,593	8,113	-5.6	9,125	8,486	-7.0
Handle stolen goods	683	581	-14.9	4,412	4,276	-3.1	5,110	4,866	-4.8
Theft from motor vehicle	2,483	2,030	-18.2	3,915	3,971	1.4	6,418	6,021	-6.2
Theft (shopsteal)	5,961	4,988	-16.3	13,134	12,504	-4.8	19,232	17,628	-8.3
Theft of motor vehicle	2,039	1,696	-16.8	2,357	2,465	4.6	4,406	4,186	-5.0
Theft of bicycle	240	187	-22.1	210	259	23.3	452	448	-0.9
Theft (other)	2,087	1,834	-12.1	7,356	7,019	-4.6	9,499	8,914	-6.2
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>23,009</b>	<b>19,376</b>	<b>-15.8</b>	<b>58,512</b>	<b>55,759</b>	<b>-4.7</b>	<b>81,985</b>	<b>75,566</b>	<b>-7.8</b>
<b>Drug offences</b>									
Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	94	78	-17.0	4,219	3,809	-9.7	4,333	3,906	-9.9
Drug (possess, use)	753	717	-4.8	9,562	9,922	3.8	10,378	10,679	2.9
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>-6.1</b>	<b>13,781</b>	<b>13,731</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>14,711</b>	<b>14,585</b>	<b>-0.9</b>
<b>Other crime</b>									
Going equipped to steal	88	64	-27.3	432	325	-24.8	522	390	-25.3
Justice procedures	1,104	1,121	1.5	13,429	13,154	-2.0	14,576	14,324	-1.7
Regulated public order	1,006	632	-37.2	661	488	-26.2	1,682	1,181	-29.8
Weapons / Explosives	990	722	-27.1	5,403	5,645	4.5	6,422	6,403	-0.3
Harassment	126	97	-23.0	1,509	1,513	0.3	1,646	1,618	-1.7
Behaviour in public	648	593	-8.5	7,406	6,025	-18.6	8,138	6,694	-17.7
Other	1,210	1,088	-10.1	3,354	2,825	-15.8	4,597	3,963	-13.8
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>5,172</b>	<b>4,317</b>	<b>-16.5</b>	<b>32,194</b>	<b>29,975</b>	<b>-6.9</b>	<b>37,583</b>	<b>34,573</b>	<b>-8.0</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35,900</b>	<b>31,353</b>	<b>-12.7</b>	<b>133,568</b>	<b>129,274</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>170,445</b>	<b>161,627</b>	<b>-5.2</b>

\* Includes offenders where the sex and/or date of birth are unspecified.

Note: Figures are based on the date charge records were created on LEAP, not the date the offender was processed.

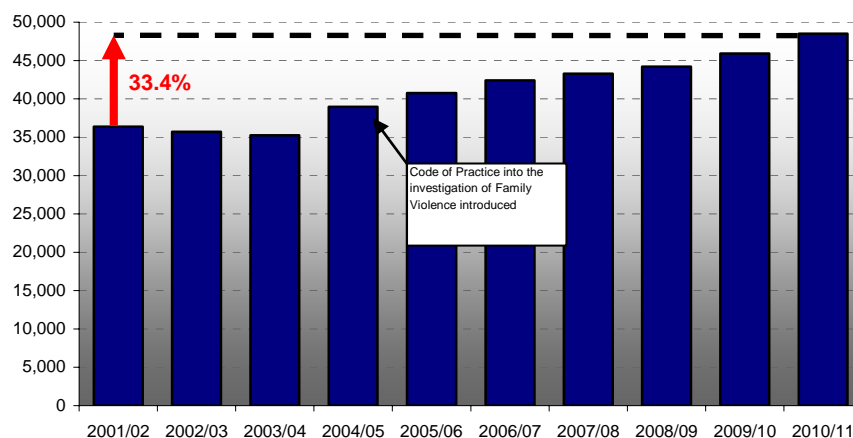
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## 4 Crime against the person

### 4.1 Overall

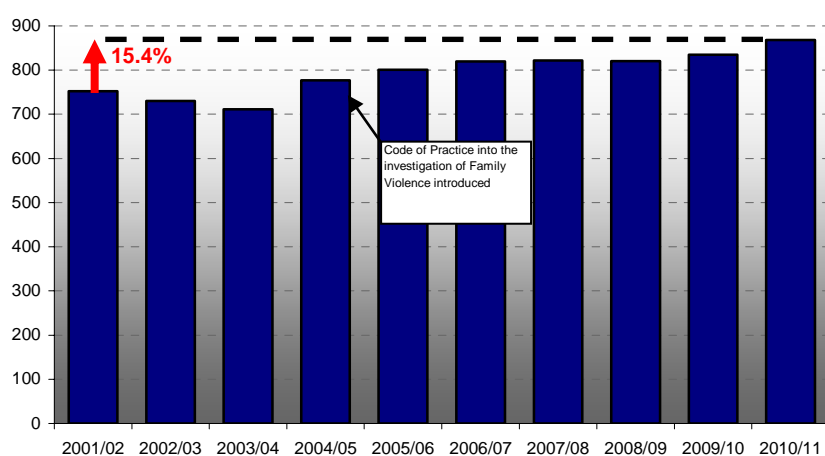
In 2010/2011 there were 48,511 offences which fall into the category of crime against the person, which was an increase of 5.6% compared with 2009/2010.

**Figure 17: Crime against the person offences per year, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**



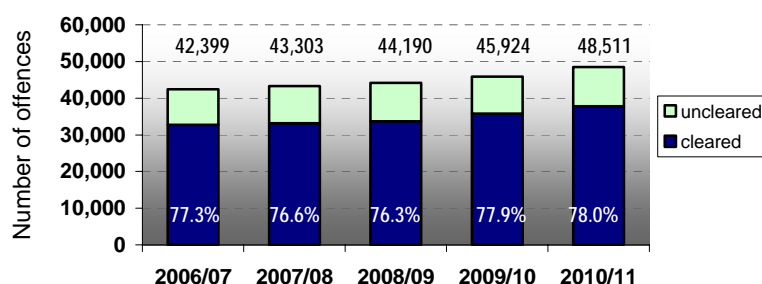
In 2010/2011, total crime against the person offences expressed as a rate per 100,000 population increased by 4.0% compared with 2009/2010 and has increased by 15.4% since 2001/2002.

**Figure 18: Crime against the person offences as a rate per 100,000 population per year, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**



This offence group had a clearance rate of 78.0%, which was 0.1 percentage points higher than the clearance rate recorded in 2009/2010.

**Figure 19: Crime against the person offences recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



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The number of crime against the person offences arising from family incidents has increased at a faster rate than non-family incident crime against the person offences. Since 2001/2002, crime against the person offences arising from family incidents have increased 261.7% to 12,348, while offences not arising from family incidents have increased by only 9.7%, to 36,163. Offences arising from family incidents accounted for 25.5% of all crime against the person offences in 2010/2011.

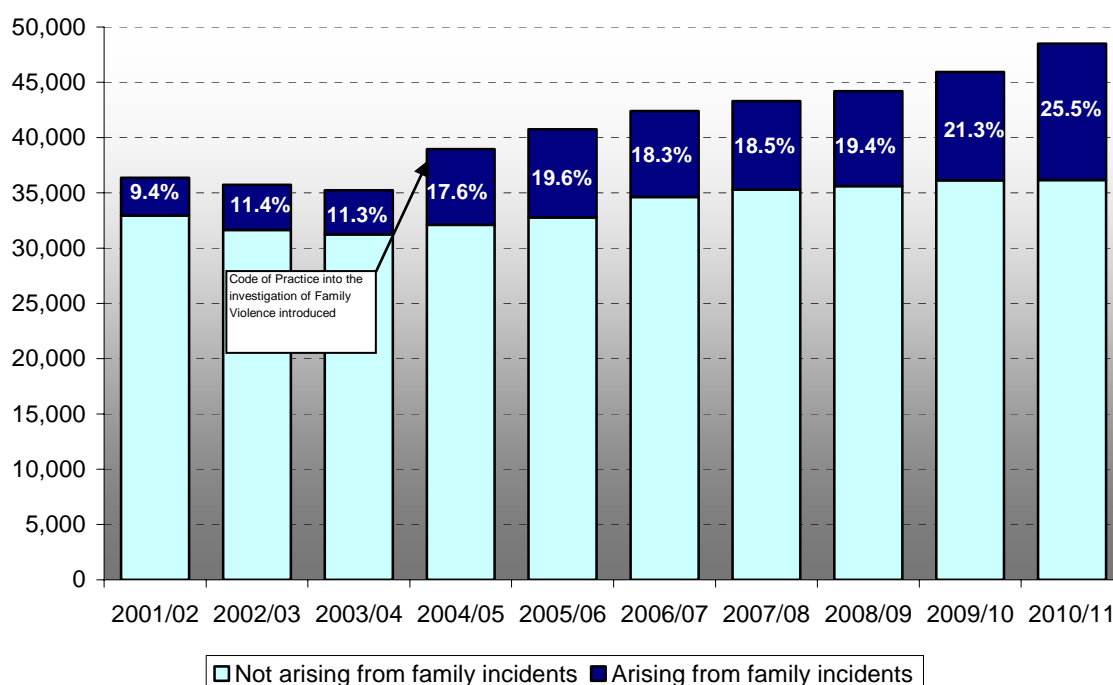
**Figure 20: Crime against the person offences arising and not arising from family incidents, 2009/10 and 2010/11**

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2009/2010	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from 2009/2010
	2009/2010	2010/2011		2009/2010	2010/2011	
Crimes against the person arising from family incidents	9,793	12,348	26.1%	178.1	221.1	24.2%
Crimes against the person not arising from family incidents	36,131	36,163	0.1%	657.0	647.4	-1.4%
<b>Total Crimes against the person</b>	<b>45,924</b>	<b>48,511</b>	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>835.0</b>	<b>868.5</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
% of Crimes against the person arising from family incidents	21.3%	25.5%				

**Figure 21: Crime against the person offences arising and not arising from family incidents, 2001/02 and 2010/11**

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2001/2002	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from 2001/2002
	2001/2002	2010/2011		2001/2002	2010/2011	
Crimes against the person arising from family incidents	3,414	12,348	261.7%	70.6	221.1	213.0%
Crimes against the person not arising from family incidents	32,957	36,163	9.7%	681.9	647.4	-5.0%
<b>Total Crimes against the person</b>	<b>36,371</b>	<b>48,511</b>	<b>33.4%</b>	<b>752.5</b>	<b>868.5</b>	<b>15.4%</b>
% of Crimes against the person arising from family incidents	9.4%	25.5%				

**Figure 22: Percentage of crime against the person offences arising from family incidents, 2001/02 to 2010/11**

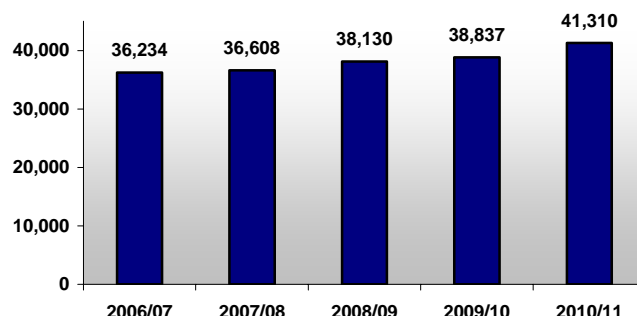


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## 4.2 Victims of crimes against the person

During 2010/2011, 41,310 people were recorded as victims of crime against the person. This was 6.4% higher than the 38,837 victims recorded in 2009/2010.

**Figure 23: Recorded victims of crime against the person per year, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



The majority of the increase in the number of victims derived from a large increase (11.7%) in the number of female victims. In 2010/2011, female victims comprised just under half (47.7%) of all victims of crimes against the person. Of all female victims, 73.4% were victims of assault and 21.3% were victims of rape and sex (non-rape) offences. This result contrasts with male victims, of whom 85.1% were victims of assault offences, and 3.2% were victims of rape and sex (non-rape) offences.

Of all victims of crime against the person, 7,904 (19.1%) were juvenile (under 18 years of age). This was an increase of 7.7% on the number of juvenile victims in 2009/2010. However, the age group of victims that increased the most was adults aged over 60 years. This age group increased by 20.2% between 2010/2011.

**Figure 24: Victims of offences against the person, by offence, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

		Males			Females			Total Persons*		
		No.	No.	% Change	No.	No.	% Change	No.	No.	% Change
		2009/10	2010/11	from 2009/10	2009/10	2010/11	from 2009/10	2009/10	2010/11	from 2009/10
Homicide	Juvenile (<18)	19	6	-68.4	13	6	-53.8	32	12	-62.5
	Adult (18-59)	103	73	-29.1	43	29	-32.6	146	103	-29.5
	Adult (60+)	13	18	38.5	9	8	-11.1	24	26	8.3
	Total Victims *	137	97	-29.2	65	43	-33.8	204	141	-30.9
Rape	Juvenile (<18)	78	66	-15.4	382	443	16.0	462	511	10.6
	Adult (18-59)	58	49	-15.5	726	855	17.8	784	905	15.4
	Adult (60+)	0	0	n/a	10	34	240.0	11	34	209.1
	Total Victims *	136	118	-13.2	1,127	1,351	19.9	1,266	1,473	16.4
Sex (non rape)	Juvenile (<18)	502	453	-9.8	1,751	1,973	12.7	2,259	2,449	8.4
	Adult (18-59)	72	78	8.3	726	790	8.8	800	873	9.1
	Adult (60+)	3	11	266.7	38	52	36.8	42	64	52.4
	Total Victims *	591	553	-6.4	2,557	2,857	11.7	3,163	3,442	8.8
Robbery	Juvenile (<18)	442	442	0.0	78	72	-7.7	522	516	-1.1
	Adult (18-59)	1,709	1,715	0.4	448	547	22.1	2,171	2,292	5.6
	Adult (60+)	56	55	-1.8	45	58	28.9	103	115	11.7
	Total Victims *	2,234	2,241	0.3	589	689	17.0	2,842	2,968	4.4
Assault	Juvenile (<18)	2,207	2,348	6.4	1,705	1,932	13.3	3,921	4,305	9.8
	Adult (18-59)	14,449	14,651	1.4	10,693	11,734	9.7	25,256	26,531	5.0
	Adult (60+)	685	747	9.1	406	543	33.7	1,113	1,312	17.9
	Total Victims *	17,714	18,092	2.1	13,042	14,478	11.0	30,955	32,835	6.1
Abduction / Kidnap	Juvenile (<18)	53	37	-30.2	89	72	-19.1	144	111	-22.9
	Adult (18-59)	71	102	43.7	178	216	21.3	249	321	28.9
	Adult (60+)	4	5	25.0	3	6	100.0	7	11	57.1
	Total Victims *	131	148	13.0	274	297	8.4	407	451	10.8
Total	Juvenile (<18)	3,301	3,352	1.5	4,018	4,498	11.9	7,340	7,904	7.7
	Adult (18-59)	16,462	16,668	1.3	12,814	14,171	10.6	29,406	31,025	5.5
	Adult (60+)	761	836	9.9	511	701	37.2	1,300	1,562	20.2
TOTAL*		20,943	21,249	1.5	17,654	19,715	11.7	38,837	41,310	6.4

\* Includes victims where age/sex is unknown. n.a. denotes that no calculation was possible.

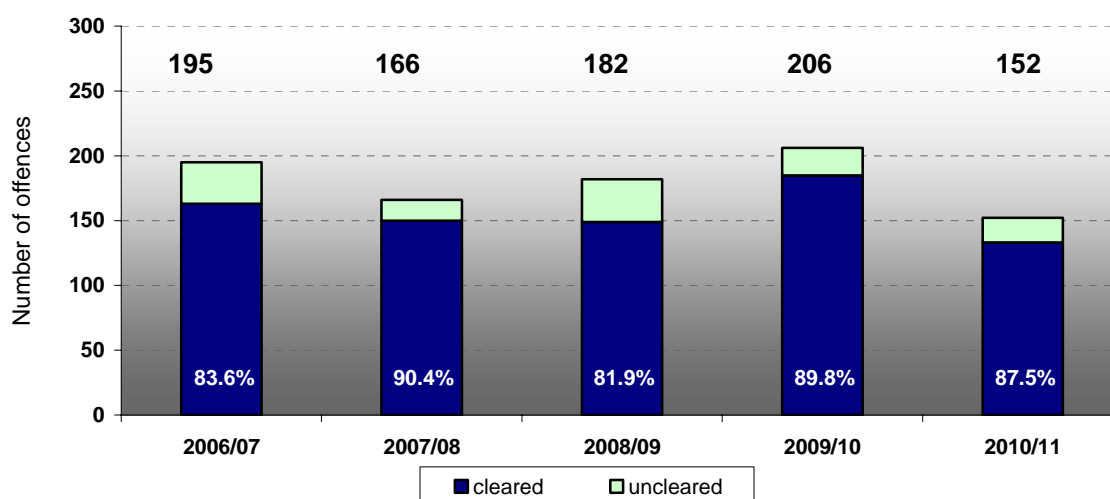
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## 4.3 Homicide<sup>1</sup>

There were 152 homicide offences recorded in 2010/2011, a decrease of 26.2% on the 206 offences recorded in 2009/2010.

Of the 152 homicide offences recorded during 2010/2011, 133 (87.5%) were cleared within the financial year. An additional 12 homicide offences from previous years were also cleared. Offences recorded during 2010/2011 were cleared by the processing of offenders in 129 instances.

**Figure 25: Homicides recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



The main offence within homicide was murder, which decreased 34.1% to 81 in 2010/2011 from the 123 recorded murders in 2009/2010. After murder, culpable driving and related offences was the next largest contributor to homicide offences. There were 58 culpable driving and related offences recorded in 2010/2011; a decrease of 10.8% on the 65 offences recorded in 2009/2010.

**Figure 26: Homicides recorded by offence, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10
	2009/10	2010/11	
Accident - Fail To Assist - Death	2	4	100.0
Accident - Fail To Stop - Death	5	2	-60.0
Murder	123	81	-34.1
Aid And Abet Suicide	1	0	-100.0
Accessory After The Fact To Murder	4	4	0.0
Manslaughter	6	3	-50.0
Culpable Driving	34	18	-47.1
Culpable Driving Causing Death	28	20	-28.6
Drive In Manner Dangerous Causing Death	3	9	200.0
Drive At Dangerous Speed Causing Death	0	11	n/a
<b>Total Homicide</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>-26.2</b>

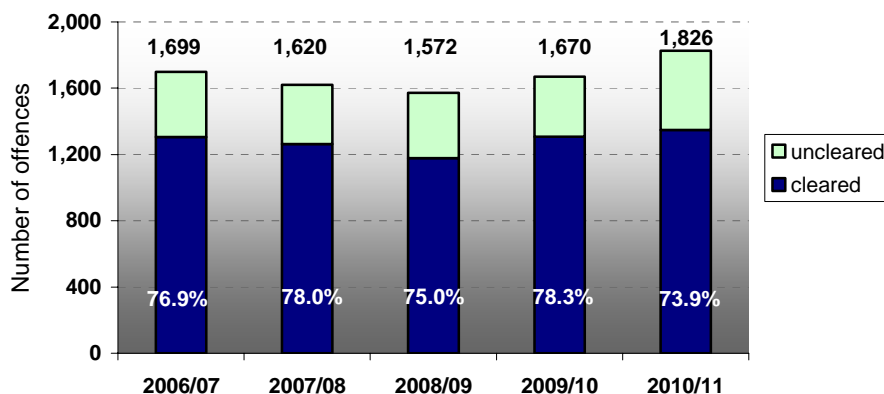
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<sup>1</sup> Homicide includes offences such as accident (fail to assist – death), murder, aid and abet suicide, manslaughter, culpable driving and abortion.

## 4.4 Rape

There were 1,826 rape offences recorded in 2010/2011, which was an increase of 9.3% on the 1,670 offences recorded in 2009/2010. Of the 1,826 rape offences recorded in 2010/2011, 73.9% (1,349) were cleared during the same period, which was 4.4 percentage points lower than the clearance rate the previous financial year. An additional 216 offences were cleared that had been reported in previous years.

**Figure 27: Rapes recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



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Offences recorded during 2010/2011 were cleared by the processing of offenders in 949 offences, and 132 offences resulted in no offence being detected. The complaint was withdrawn in 258 offences and 11 were cleared by other means.

Victoria Police recorded 1,473 rape victims<sup>2</sup> during 2010/2011, an increase of 16.4% on the 1,266 recorded in 2009/2010. There were 1,351 female victims (up 19.9% since 2009/10) and 118 male victims (down by 13.2%). All victim age groups increased between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011.

The increase in rape offences is related to a rise in family violence-related offences. Between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011, the number of family incidents reports submitted by police rose 14.6%, from 35,690 to 40,892 (see pages 27-28). This increase in reporting may have increased the reporting of offences such as rape and assault, which often involve family violence.

In 2010/2011, the victim and offender(s) were related, living together, or in a relationship in 660 (36.1%) rape offences. This had increased from 528 (31.6%) in the previous financial year. In contrast, rape offences where the offender was known to the victim but did not fall into these categories decreased by 4.6%, to 754.

**Figure 28: Relationship of offender to victim, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

Relationship of offender to victim	Number of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10
	2009/10	2010/11	
Related, living with or in a relationship with*	528	660	25.0
Other known**	790	754	-4.6
Not known	265	258	-2.6
Cannot be determined	111	170	53.2

\* "Related, living with or in a relationship with" includes the following categories: Parent/child, Step-parent/child, Spouse, Defacto, Former spouse/defacto, Sibling, Other lineal relationship, Boyfriend/girlfriend, Co-resident, Former boyfriend/girlfriend, Gay domestic partner, Lesbian domestic partner.

\*\* "Other known" includes the following categories: Employer/employee, Acquaintance, Neighbour, Other known.

*Note: The above table includes offences with multiple offenders, and as such, the sum of the categories of relationships does not equal the total number of offences recorded.*

<sup>2</sup> Note: the number of victims differs significantly from the number of offences recorded due to some victims reporting multiple counts of victimisation.

Rape offences at residential locations have also increased, by 15.7% since 2009/10. In 2010/2011 residential locations accounted for 68.9% (1,258) of all rape offences. In contrast, rape offences at non-residential locations decreased by 4.7%, to 484 offences.

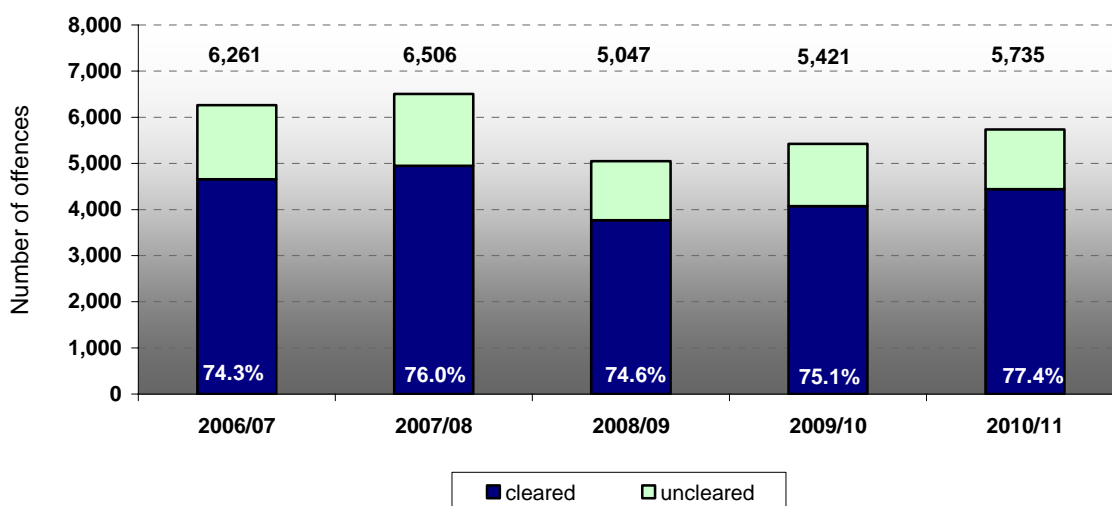
**Figure 29: Location of rape offence, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

Location of rape offence	Number of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10
	2009/10	2010/11	
Residential	1,087	1,258	15.7
Non-residential	508	484	-4.7
Unspecified	75	84	12.0
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,670</i>	<i>1,826</i>	<i>9.3</i>

## 4.5 Sex (non-rape)<sup>3</sup>

There were 5,735 sex (non-rape) offences recorded in 2010/2011, an increase of 5.8% on the 5,421 offences recorded in 2009/2010.

**Figure 30: Sex (non-rape) offences recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



*Note: All figures with decimal places in the above table have been rounded to one decimal place.*

Of the 5,735 sex (non-rape) offences recorded in 2010/2011, 4,441 (77.4%) were cleared during the same period. An additional 698 offences were cleared that had been reported in previous years.

Sex (non-rape) offences at residential locations account for 3,139 (54.7%) of all sex (non-rape) offences in 2010/2011. This was very similar to the number of sex (non-rape) offences that occurred at these locations in 2009/10 (3,148 offences). After residential locations, the most common type of location where sex (non-rape) offences occurred was a street/lane/footpath (9.6%).

The number of victims<sup>4</sup> of sex (non-rape) offences recorded during 2010/2011 was 3,442, an increase of 8.8% from the 3,163 victims recorded in 2009/2010.

Female victims increased by 11.7%, from 2,557 female victims in 2009/2010 to 2,857 in 2010/2011. In contrast, male victims decreased by 6.4%, from 591 in 2009/2010 to 553 in 2010/2011.

<sup>3</sup> Sex (non-rape) includes offences such as indecent assault, indecent act, wilful and obscene exposure in public, incest, sexual penetration of a child, and gross indecency.

<sup>4</sup> Please note, as with rape offences the number of victims differs significantly from the number of offences recorded due to some victims reporting multiple counts of victimisation.

Sex (non-rape) offences involved victim and offender(s) who were related, living together, or in a relationship in 2205 (38.4%) offences. This number increased 13.5% between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011.

**Figure 31: Relationship of offender to victim, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

Relationship of offender to victim	Number of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10
	2009/10	2010/11	
Related, living with or in a relationship with*	1,943	2,205	13.5
Other known**	1,940	1,965	1.3
Not known	1,108	1,138	2.7
Cannot be determined	491	495	0.8

\* "Related, living with or in a relationship with" includes the following categories: Parent/child, Step-parent/child, Spouse, Defacto, Former spouse/defacto, Sibling, Other lineal relationship, Boyfriend/girlfriend, Co-resident, Former boyfriend/girlfriend, Gay domestic partner, Lesbian domestic partner.

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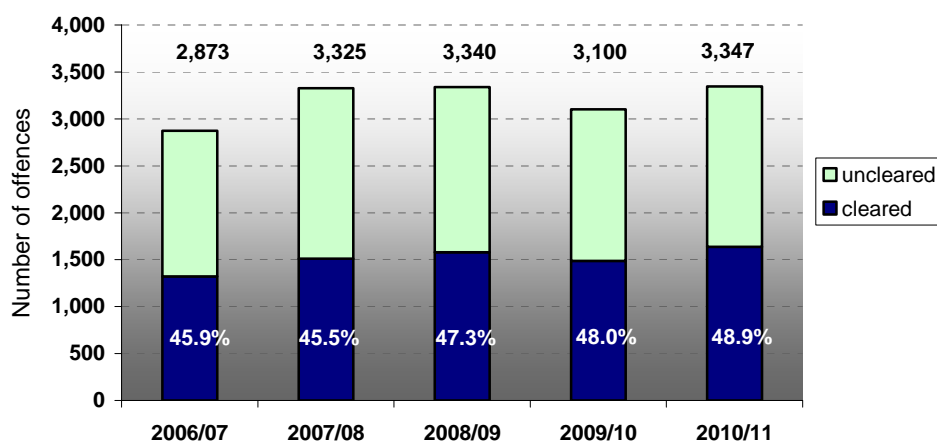
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## 4.6 Robbery<sup>5</sup>

Robbery offences recorded in 2010/2011 increased by 8.0% from 3,100 to 3,347. The rate per 100,000 population has increased by 6.3% since 2009/2010.

Of all the robbery offences recorded in 2010/2011, 1,636 (48.9%) were cleared during the same period. An additional 221 offences were cleared that had been reported in previous years. Robbery offences recorded during 2010/2011 were cleared by the processing of offenders in 1,437 offences, 67 offences resulted in no offence being detected, the complaint was withdrawn in 131 offences, and 3 were cleared by other means.

**Figure 32: Robberies recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



Armed robberies accounted for 1,540 (46.0%) of all robberies in 2010/2011, an increase of 10.6% compared with 2009/2010. The number of unarmed robberies recorded during 2010/2011 was 1,763, a rise of 5.1% from 1,677 unarmed robberies recorded in 2009/2010.

<sup>5</sup> Robbery includes offences of armed robbery and robbery/assault with intent to rob.



**Figure 33: Robberies recorded by offence and degree, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

	2009/10				2010/11				% Change
	Substantive	Attempted	Conspiracy	Total	Substantive	Attempted	Conspiracy	Total	
Armed Robbery	1,093	295	4	1,392	1,240	298	2	1,540	10.6%
Accessory To Robbery	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0.0%
Robbery	1,373	304	0	1,677	1,434	329	0	1,763	5.1%
Assault With Intent To Rob	30	0	0	30	42	1	0	43	43.3%
<b>Robbery Total</b>	<b>2,497</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>2,717</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3,347</b>	<b>8.0%</b>

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above tables have been rounded to one decimal place.

The main locations for robberies occurring are on street/lane/footpaths. Robberies at these locations accounted for 45.0% (1,507) of all robberies in 2010/2011. However, the increase in robberies was mainly attributable to an increase in robberies at retail/financial and public transport locations. Within these categories, service stations, supermarket/milkbar/24 hour convenience stores and train stations were the most common locations for robberies in 2010/2011.

**Figure 34: Robberies recorded in retail/financial and public transport locations, 2009/2010 and 2010/11**

Type of retail/financial location	Number of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10	Type of public transport location	Number of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10
	2009/10	2010/11			2009/10	2010/11	
Supermarket/ milkbar/ 24 hour convenience	170	205	20.6	Train	48	36	-25.0
Service station	108	166	53.7	Train station	198	225	13.6
Restaurant/fast food	59	74	25.4	Railway carpark	14	24	71.4
Shopping complex	51	40	-21.6	Tram/tram stop	22	18	-18.2
Chemist/pharmacy	22	36	63.6	Bus/bus stop	38	53	39.5
Financial institution*	15	18	20.0	Depot/terminal	5	2	-60.0
Other retail	151	202	33.8	Taxi	3	10	233.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>28.6</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>12.2</b>

Female victims increased by 17.0% between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011. Male victims increased by 0.3%. The group that experienced the highest rate of change were female adults aged over 18 years. This group increased by 22.7% between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011.

**Figure 35: Robberies recorded by victim age and sex, 2010/2011**

		2010/11			%change from 2009/10		
		Female	Male	Total*	Female	Male	Total*
<b>Persons</b>	<b>Juvenile (&lt;18)</b>	72	442	516	-7.7%	0.0%	-1.1%
	<b>Adult (18+)</b>	605	1,770	2,407	22.7%	0.3%	5.8%
	<b>Total Persons *</b>	689	2,241	2,968	17.0%	0.3%	4.4%
<b>Business</b>		n/a	n/a	301	n/a	n/a	49.0%
<b>Total Victims</b>		<b>689</b>	<b>2,241</b>	<b>3,269</b>	<b>17.0%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>7.4%</b>

\* includes victims where age or gender is unspecified

87.1% of all recorded alleged robbery offenders for 2010/2011 were males, with a 7.5% increase in male alleged offenders in comparison to 2009/2010. Female offenders increased 35.0% from 2009/2010. Juvenile offenders decreased by 2.8%, while adult offenders increased by 23.7%.

**Figure 36: Robberies recorded by alleged offender age and sex, 2010/2011**

	2010/11			%change from 2009/10		
	Female	Male	Total*	Female	Male	Total*
<b>Juvenile</b>	164	1,005	1,169	21.5%	-5.9%	-2.8%
<b>Adult (18+)</b>	187	1,366	1,553	49.6%	21.0%	23.7%
<b>Total Alleged Offenders*</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>2,371</b>	<b>2,722</b>	<b>35.0%</b>	<b>7.5%</b>	<b>10.3%</b>

\* includes offenders where age or gender is unspecified

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48.2% of all weapons used/threatened/displayed during robberies were knives. In 2010/2011, 657 knives were used/threatened/displayed during robberies, an increase of 4.1% in comparison to 2009/2010.

14.5% of all weapons used/threatened/displayed during robberies were firearms (including imitation firearms). There was a 44.5% increase in robberies involving firearms, from 137 in 2009/2010 to 198 in 2010/2011.

**Figure 37: Type of weapon used / threatened / displayed during robberies, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

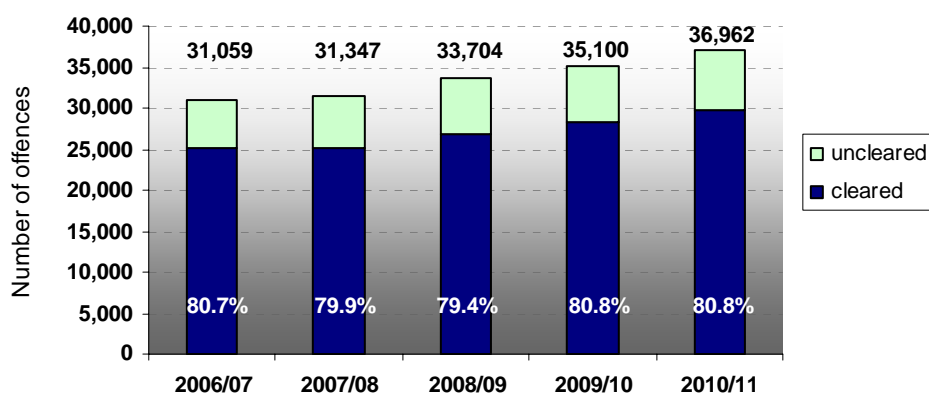
Type of Weapon	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10	% of total weapons 2010/11
	2009/10	2010/11		
Rifle	8	10	25.0	0.7
Air rifle / gun	3	3	0.0	0.2
Shotgun	6	28	366.7	2.1
Handgun	90	108	20.0	7.9
Machine gun	0	1	n/a	0.1
Sawn off firearm	4	24	500.0	1.8
Imitation firearm	20	8	-60.0	0.6
Other firearm	6	16	166.7	1.2
Knife	631	657	4.1	48.2
Axe / tomahawk	15	17	13.3	1.2
Bat / bar / club	88	78	-11.4	5.7
Knuckleduster / numchuks	1	6	500.0	0.4
Bottle / glass	40	59	47.5	4.3
Vehicle	7	2	-71.4	0.1
Syringe	49	57	16.3	4.2
Other weapon	102	160	56.9	11.7
Other edged weapon	63	96	52.4	7.0
Laser pointer	1	1	0.0	0.1
Explosive device	1	3	200.0	0.2
Aerosol spray	2	1	-50.0	0.1
Unknown weapon	28	28	0.0	2.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>1,363</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## 4.7 Assault<sup>6</sup>

The number of recorded assaults in 2010/2011 (36,962) was 5.3% higher than the number recorded in 2009/2010 (35,100).

Of the assault offences recorded during 2010/2011, 29,867 (80.8%) were cleared during the same period. An additional 1,965 offences were cleared which were recorded in previous years. Offences recorded during 2010/2011 were cleared by the processing of offenders in 25,575 offences. 525 offences resulted in no offence being detected, the complaint was withdrawn in 3,673 offences and 261 were cleared by other means.

**Figure 38: Assaults recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



Note: All figures with decimal places in the above tables have been rounded to one decimal place.

<sup>6</sup> Assault includes indictable and summary assault offences such as intentionally/recklessly cause injury, make threats to kill, reckless conduct endangering life/serious injury, unlawful assault, assault police (serious and summary) assault with weapon/instrument, and discharge missile/stone to injure/danger.

For all assaults during 2010/2011, there was a 2.5% increase in juvenile offenders, and a 1.5% increase in adult offenders.

Juvenile victims increased by 9.8% since 2009/2010, while adult victims aged between 18 and 59 increased by 5.0%. There was also a 17.9% increase in victims who are aged over 60. Female victims increased by 11.0%, while male victims increased by 2.1%.

Assaults at residential locations account for 43.8% of all assaults in 2010/2011. Assaults at these locations have increased by 12.8% since 2009/2010. After residential locations, the most common location type where assaults occurred was a street/lane/footpath (26.9%). Assaults at these locations have decreased by 2.0% since 2009/2010. During 2010/2011 there were 1,484 assaults occurring at licensed premises, 10.2% lower than the previous period.

Assaults at public transport locations accounted for 3.5% (1,284) of all assaults in 2010/2011, and overall have decreased by 0.3%. Within this location type, assaults at train stations have increased by 3.7%, assaults at railway car parks have increased by 92.3% and assaults on trams or tram stops have increased by 2.2%. Assaults at other public transport locations have decreased since 2009/2010.

**Figure 39: Assault offences recorded in public transport locations, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

Type of public transport location	Number of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10
	2009/10	2010/11	
Train	177	152	-14.1
Train station	749	777	3.7
Railway carpark	26	50	92.3
Tram/tram stop	91	93	2.2
Bus/bus stop	165	160	-3.0
Depot/terminal	12	5	-58.3
Office	1	0	-100.0
Taxi	67	47	-29.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,288</b>	<b>1,284</b>	<b>-0.3</b>

The number of weapons used/threatened/displayed during assaults decreased by 0.9% (to 4,096) in comparison to 2009/2010. Knives accounted for 1,068 (26.1%) of all weapons used/threatened/displayed during assaults, a very similar number to 2009/2010 (1,067). In 2010/2011, 6.6% (270) of assaults involved a firearm (including imitation firearms). The use/threat/display of firearms in assaults increased 13.4% between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011.

**Figure 40: Type of weapon used/threatened/displayed in assaults, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

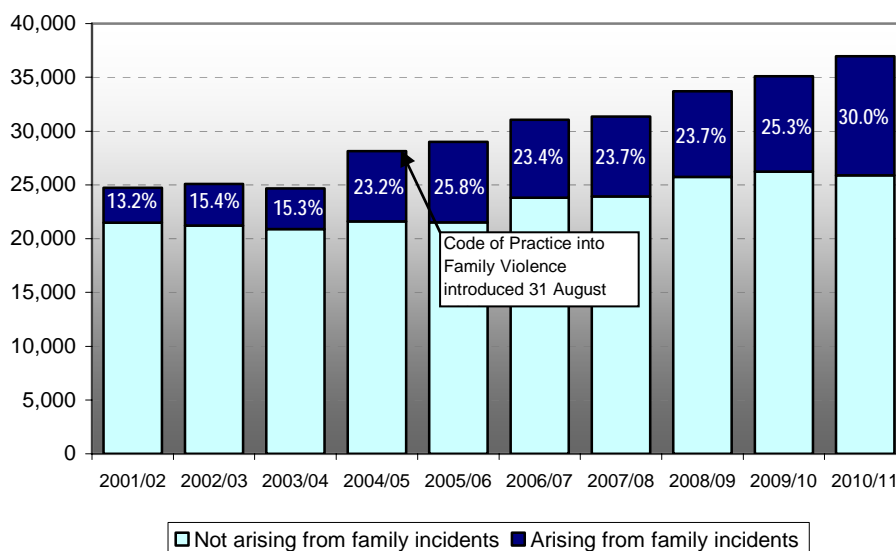
Type of Weapon	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10	% of total weapons 2010/11
	2009/10	2010/11		
Rifle	29	45	55.2	1.1
Air rifle / gun	18	8	-55.6	0.2
Shotgun	37	37	0.0	0.9
Handgun	91	86	-5.5	2.1
Machine gun	0	1	n/a	0.0
Sawn off firearm	6	22	266.7	0.5
Imitation firearm	30	30	0.0	0.7
Other firearm	27	41	51.9	1.0
Knife	1,067	1,068	0.1	26.1
Axe / tomahawk	42	43	2.4	1.0
Bat / bar / club	556	460	-17.3	11.2
Knuckleduster / numchuks	25	18	-28.0	0.4
Bottle / glass	488	474	-2.9	11.6
Vehicle	262	286	9.2	7.0
Syringe	27	21	-22.2	0.5
Other weapon	1,058	1,056	-0.2	25.8
Other edged weapon	224	247	10.3	6.0
Laser pointer	14	2	-85.7	0.0
Explosive device	19	16	-15.8	0.4
Aerosol spray	29	31	6.9	0.8
Unknown weapon	84	104	23.8	2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,133</b>	<b>4,096</b>	<b>-0.9</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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## Family Incident Reports

Prior to 31 August 2004, approximately 15% of assaults were family violence related. Since the introduction of the *Code of Practice for the Investigation of Family Violence*, launched on 31 August 2004, this figure has risen steadily, and in 2010/2011, family violence assaults accounted for 30.0% of all assaults. The Code of Practice was a program designed to improve police responses to family violence incidents and encourage community confidence to report these offences to police.

**Figure 41: Percentage of assaults arising from family incidents, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**



In 2010/2011, there was a decline of 2.8% in assaults not arising from family incidents, as a rate per 100,000 population. Assaults arising from family incidents have increased by 23.0% as a rate per 100,000 population.

**Figure 42: Assaults arising and not arising from family incidents, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2009/2010	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from 2009/2010
	2009/2010	2010/2011		2009/2010	2010/2011	
Assaults arising from family incidents	8,864	11,073	24.9%	161.2	198.2	23.0%
Assaults not arising from family incidents	26,236	25,889	-1.3%	477.0	463.5	-2.8%
<b>Total Assaults</b>	<b>35,100</b>	<b>36,962</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>638.2</b>	<b>661.7</b>	<b>3.7%</b>
% of assaults arising from family incidents	25.3%	30.0%				

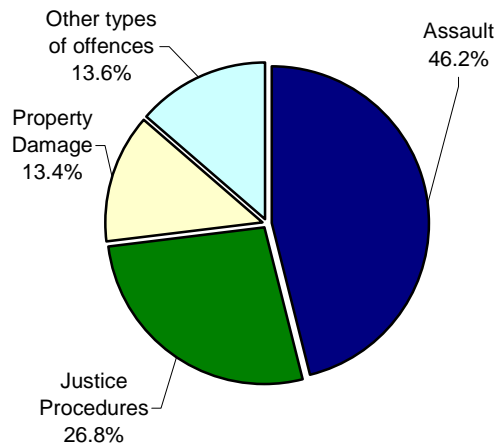
**Figure 43: Assaults arising and not arising from family incidents, 2001/2002 and 2010/2011**

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2001/2002	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from 2001/2002
	2001/2002	2010/2011		2001/2002	2010/2011	
Assaults arising from family incidents	3,254	11,073	240.3%	67.3	198.2	194.5%
Assaults not arising from family incidents	21,474	25,889	20.6%	444.3	463.5	4.3%
<b>Total Assaults</b>	<b>24,728</b>	<b>36,962</b>	<b>49.5%</b>	<b>511.6</b>	<b>661.7</b>	<b>29.3%</b>
% of assaults arising from family incidents	13.2%	30.0%				

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above table have been rounded to one decimal place.

Of all the offences arising from family violence incidents reported in 2010/2011, 46.2% were assaults. After assaults, justice procedures and property damage were the most common types of offences to arise from family violence.

**Figure 44: Offences arising from family incidents, 2010/2011**



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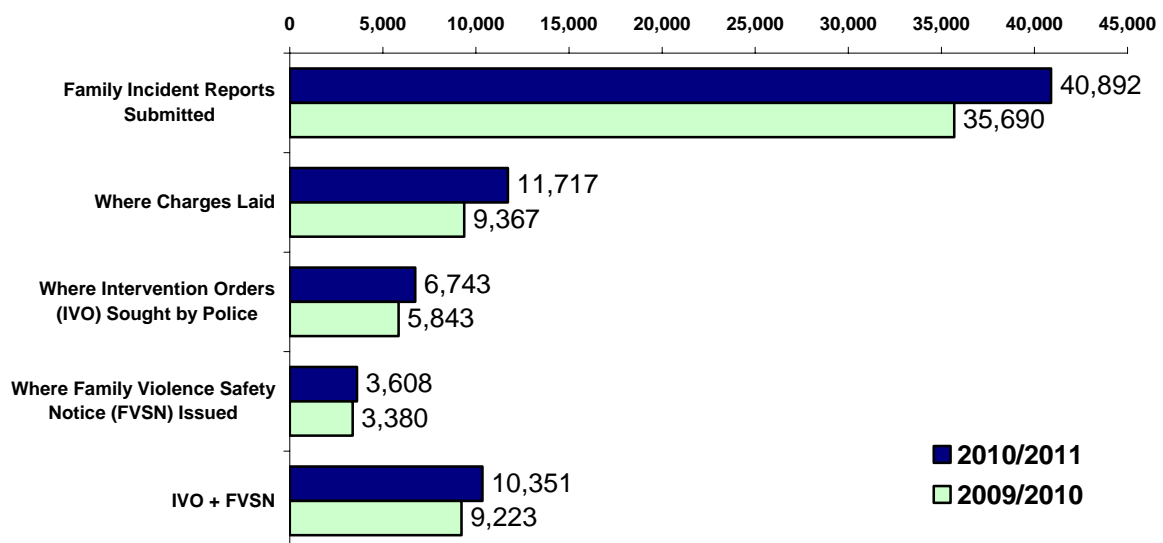
During 2010/2011, there were 40,892 incidents where police submitted family incident reports. This was 14.6% higher than the 35,690 reports submitted in 2009/2010.

Family violence safety notices (FVSNs) were introduced on 8 December 2008 under the Family Violence Protection Act 2008. According to Section 31 of the Act, an FVSN is considered to be an application for a family violence intervention order (IVO). Victoria Police keeps separate statistics on IVOs and FVSNs so that no double counting occurs; however, for an accurate picture of IVOs in an area, the two figures have been combined.

Of all family incidents attended, police sought an IVO or issued an FVSN in 10,351 instances, which was an increase of 12.2% from the previous financial year.

In 2010/2011, there were 11,717 family incidents attended by police which resulted in charges being laid against one or more parties involved. This was a 25.1% increase from the previous year.

**Figure 45: Recorded family incidents, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**



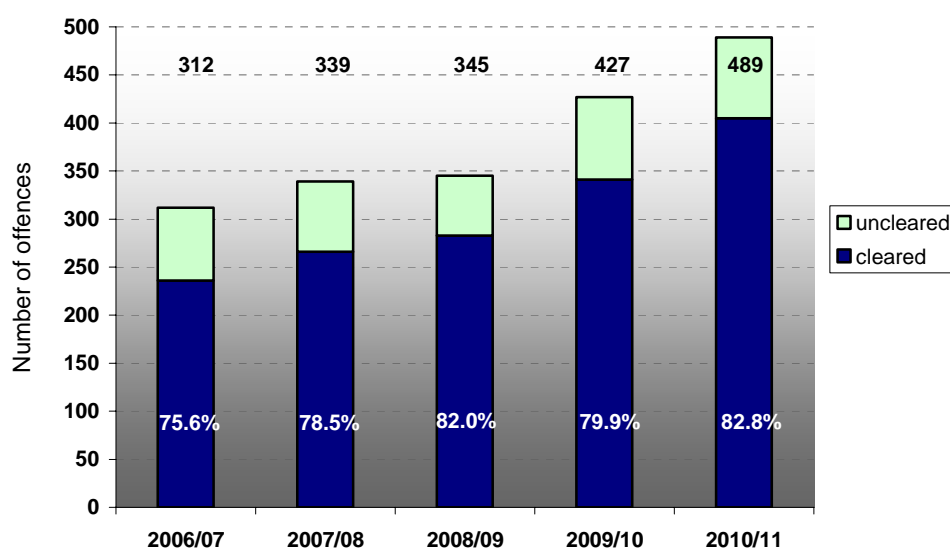
## 4.8 Abduction/kidnap<sup>7</sup>

There were 489 abduction/kidnap offences recorded in 2010/2011, an increase of 14.5% on the 427 offences recorded in 2009/2010.

Of the 489 abduction/kidnap offences recorded during 2010/2011, 405 offences (82.8%) were cleared during the same period. An additional 12 offences were cleared from previous financial years.

Offences recorded in 2010/2011 were cleared by the processing of offenders in 361 offences, 17 offences resulted in no offence being detected, the complaint was withdrawn in 26 offences, and 1 was cleared by other means.

**Figure 46: Abduction / kidnap recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



The main offence category within abduction / kidnap was false imprisonment, with 338 offences recorded in 2010/2011 (11.6% increase from 2009/2010).

**Figure 47: Abduction / kidnaps recorded by offence, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10
	2009/10	2010/11	
Abduction - Act of Sex Pen	39	27	-30.8
Abduction - Intent to Marry	1	1	0.0
Abduction - Act of Sex Pen with another	1	0	-100.0
Abduction - Child U/16 for Sex Pen	3	3	0.0
Child Stealing	33	27	-18.2
Kidnap	28	59	110.7
Kidnapping (Common Law)	15	29	93.3
Child Stealing with Intent	2	1	-50.0
Abduct/Detain for Sexual Penetration	2	4	100.0
False Imprisonment (Common Law)	303	338	11.6
<b>Total Homicide</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>14.5</b>

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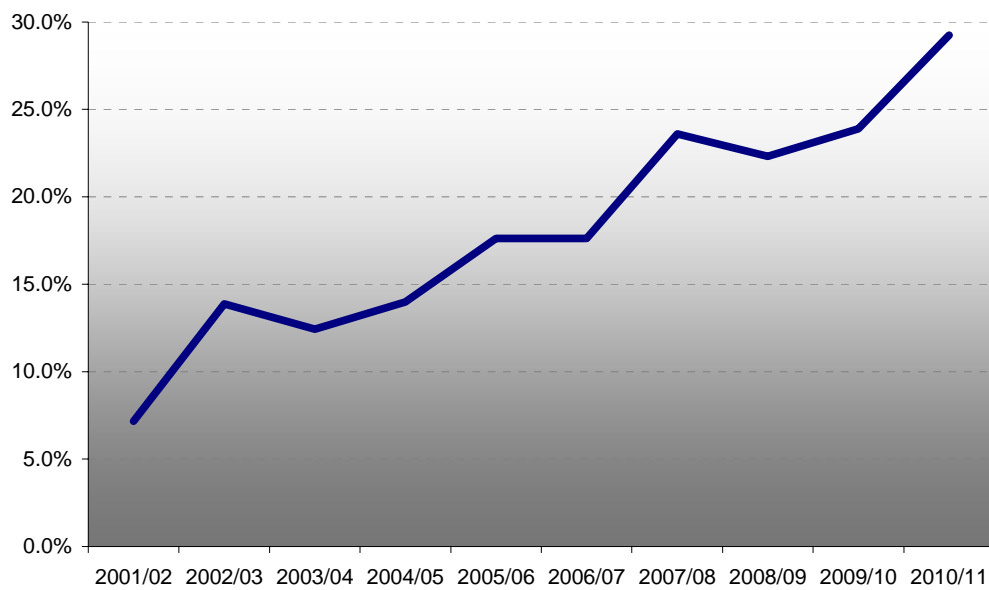
There has been a steady increase in abduction/kidnap offences over the last few years. In 2010/2011, 29.2% of abductions/kidnaps were arising from family incidents (up by 5.3 percentage points from 2009/2010).

<sup>7</sup> Abduction/kidnap includes offences of abduction, child stealing, cause abduction, kidnap and false imprisonment.

**Figure 48: Recorded abduction / kidnap offences arising from family violence, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2009/2010	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from 2009/2010
	2009/2010	2010/2011		2009/2010	2010/2011	
Abductions arising from family incidents	102	143	40.2%	1.9	2.6	38.0%
Abductions not arising from family incidents	325	346	6.5%	5.9	6.2	4.8%
<b>Total Abductions</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>14.5%</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>12.8%</b>
% of abductions arising from family incidents	23.9%	29.2%				

**Figure 49: Percentage of abductions arising from family incidents, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**



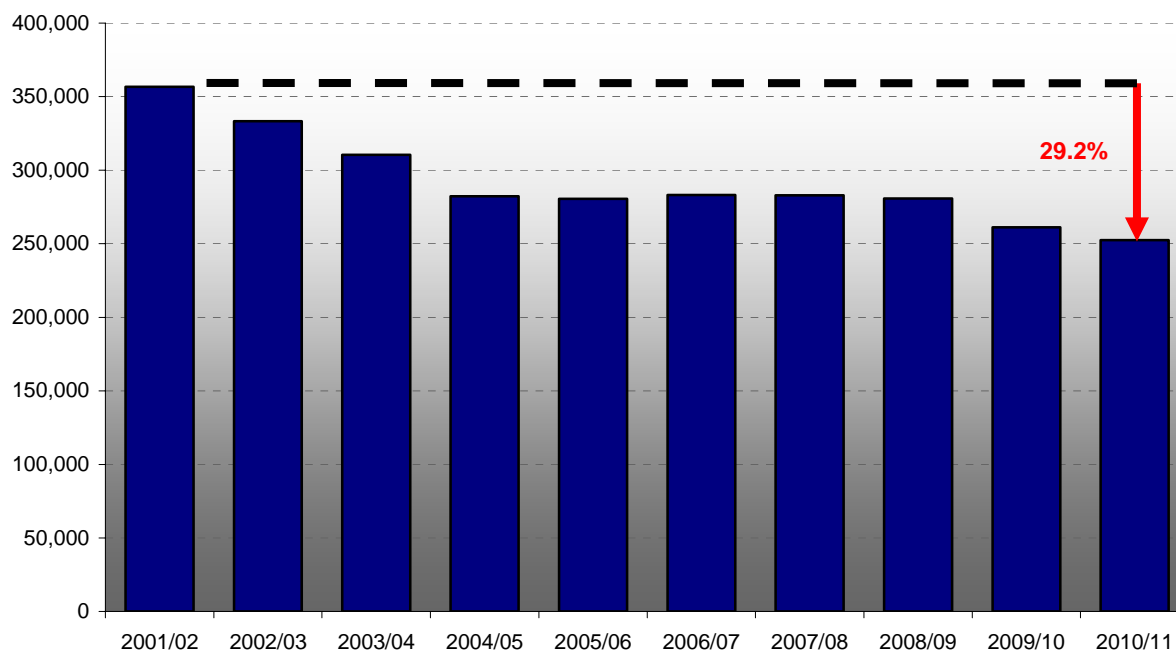
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## 5 Crime against property

### 5.1 Overall

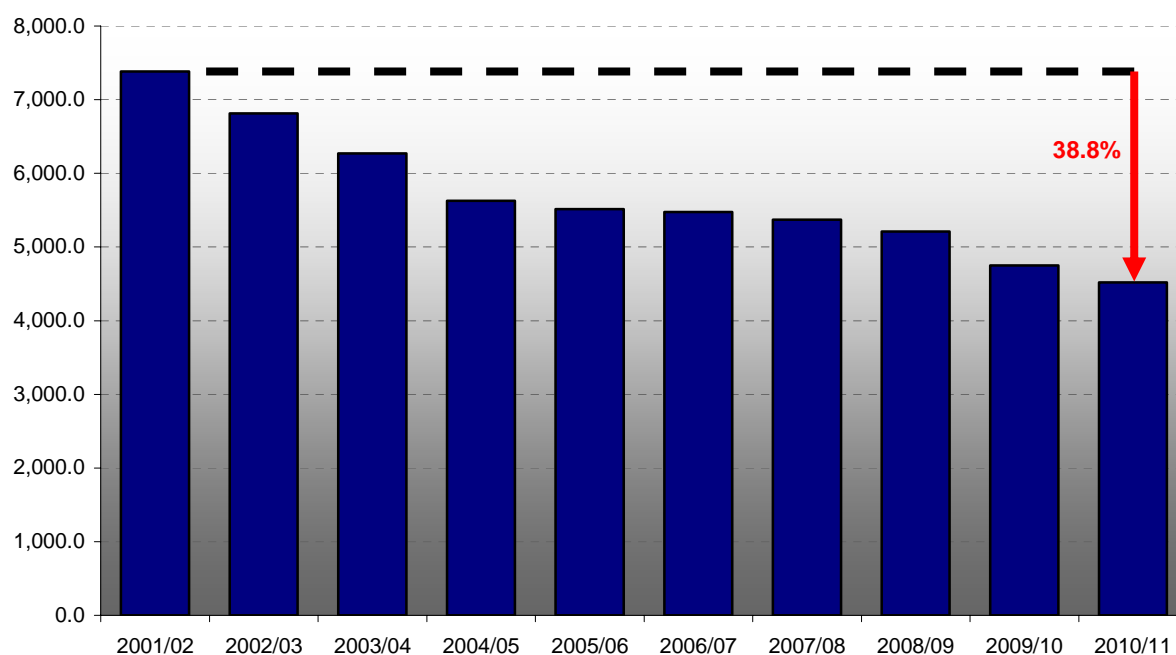
In 2010/2011 there were 252,417 offences against property, a decrease of 3.4% compared with 2009/2010. This offence group had a clearance rate of 29.5%, which was 0.1 percentage points lower than the rate recorded in 2009/2010.

**Figure 50: Crime against property offences per year, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**



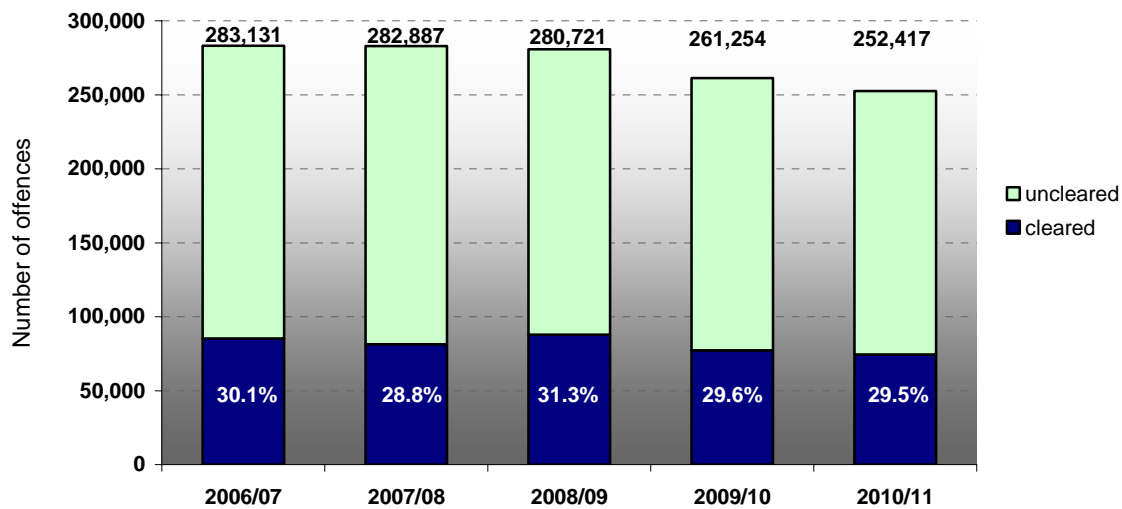
Since 2001/2002, total crime against property as a rate per 100,000 population has decreased by 38.8%.

**Figure 51: Crime against property offences as a rate per 100,000 population per year, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**





**Figure 52: Crime against property offences recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**

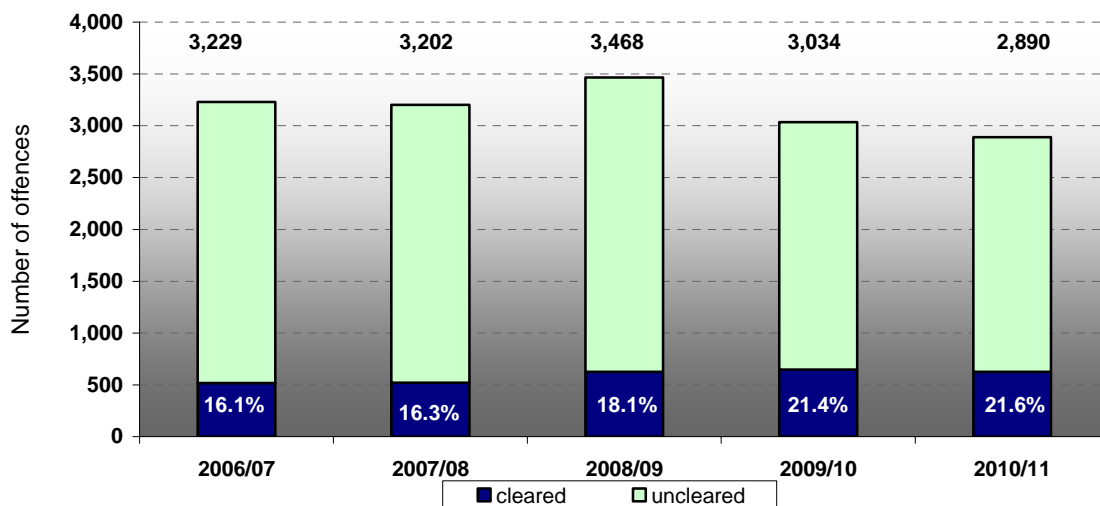


## 5.2 Arson<sup>8</sup>

There were 2,890 offences of arson recorded during 2010/2011, a decrease of 4.7% from the 3,034 arsons recorded in 2009/2010.

Of the 2,890 offences recorded in 2010/2011, 625 (21.6%) were cleared within the same period. This was an increase of 0.2 percentage points compared with last year. A further 87 arson offences recorded in previous financial years were also cleared.

**Figure 53: Arsons recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



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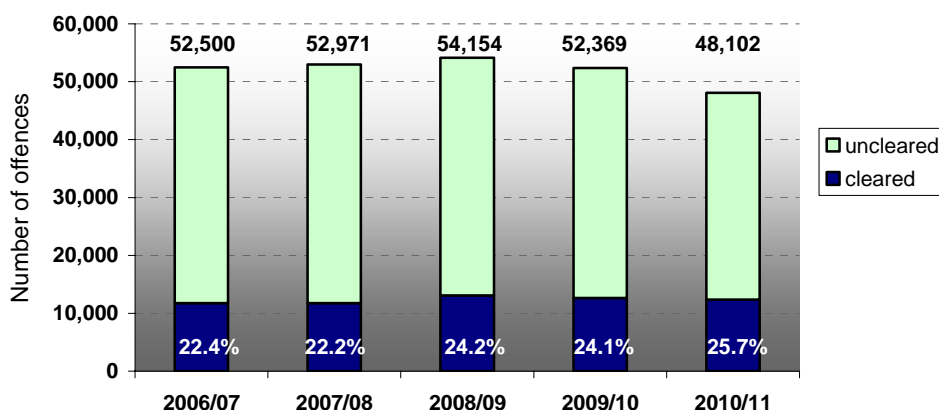
The most common location type for arson offences to occur was a residential location (30.4%), followed by a street/lane/footpath (21.6%). Arson offences increased between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011 at street/lane/footpath locations by 8.5%, but decreased in residential locations by 2.3%.

<sup>8</sup> Arson includes offences of criminal damage by fire, light fire on PTC vehicle/premises, light/use fire and destroy/damage property and light/use fire to endanger property/life.

## 5.3 Property damage<sup>9</sup>

In 2010/2011, there were 48,102 offences of property damage recorded by Victoria Police, a decrease of 8.1% on the 52,369 offences recorded during 2009/2010.

**Figure 54: Property damages recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



Of the 48,102 property damage offences recorded during 2010/2011, 12,363 (25.7%) were cleared in the same year. This was 1.6 percentage points higher than the clearance rate recorded in 2009/2010. A further 869 property damage offences recorded in previous financial years were also cleared.

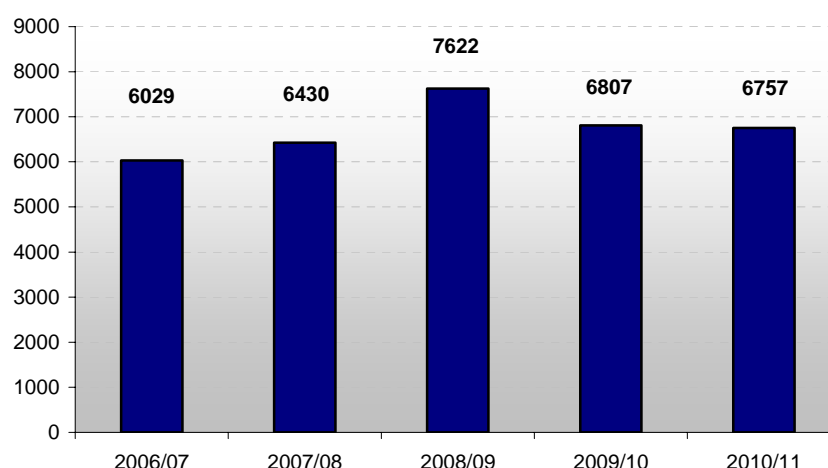
During 2010/2011 there was a 0.7% decrease in the number of graffiti<sup>10</sup> offences recorded. Offences involved graffiti constitute 14.0% of the total property damage offences in 2010/2011, 1.0 percentage point higher than in 2009/2010.

**Figure 55: Recorded graffiti offences, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**

	No. of offences recorded					% change from 2008/09
	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	
Graffiti Offences	6,029	6,430	7,622	6,807	6,757	-0.7
Total Property Damage Offences	52,500	52,971	54,154	52,369	48,102	-8.1
% of property damage offences that involve graffiti	11.5%	12.1%	14.1%	13.0%	14.0%	

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above tables have been rounded to one decimal place.

**Figure 56: Recorded graffiti offences, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



<sup>9</sup> Property damage includes offences such as criminal damage (intent to damage/destroy), wilful damage/injure property and possess article for criminal damage.

<sup>10</sup> Graffiti involves Property Damage offences where either graffiti damage is recorded or the word "Graffiti" is found in the incident remark.

## Property damage associated with family violence

Property damage offences arising from family incidents have increased by 28.0% since 2009/2010, whereas the offences not arising from family incidents have decreased by 10.0% in the same time frame.

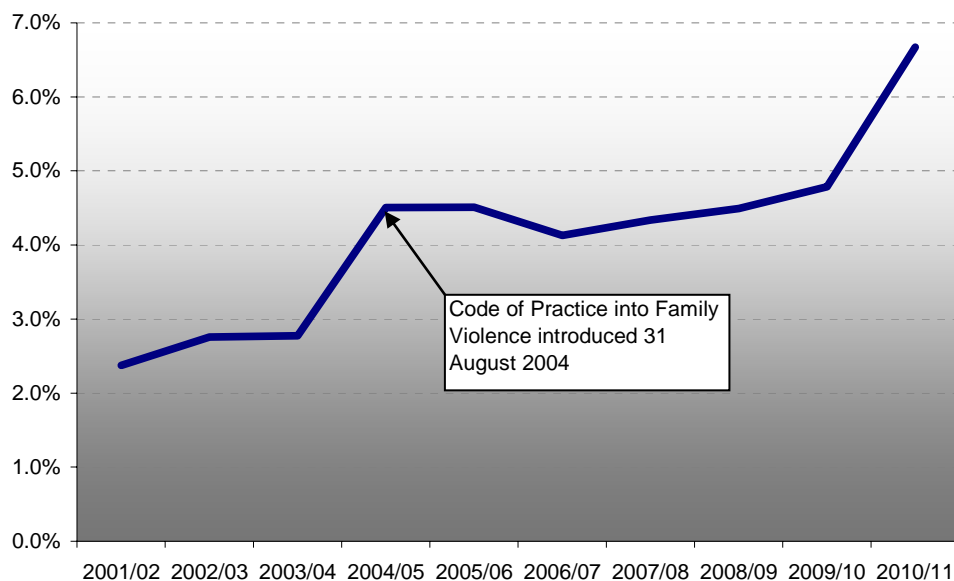
**Figure 57: Recorded property damage offences arising from family violence, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2009/2010	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from 2009/2010
	2009/2010	2010/2011		2009/2010	2010/2011	
Property damage arising from family incidents	2,507	3,210	28.0%	45.6	57.5	26.1%
Property damage not arising from family incidents	49,862	44,892	-10.0%	906.6	803.7	-11.4%
<b>Total property damage</b>	<b>52,369</b>	<b>48,102</b>	<b>-8.1%</b>	<b>952.2</b>	<b>861.2</b>	<b>-9.6%</b>
% of property damage arising from family incidents	4.8%	6.7%				

Of all offences arising out of family violence incidents in 2010/2011, 13.4% were property damage related (refer to Figure 44).

Prior to 31 August 2004, approximately 3% of property damage offences were family violence related. Since the introduction of the Code of Practice for the Investigation of Family Violence, launched on 31 August 2004, this figure rose to 6.7% in 2010/2011.

**Figure 58: Percentage of property damage arising from family incidents, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**

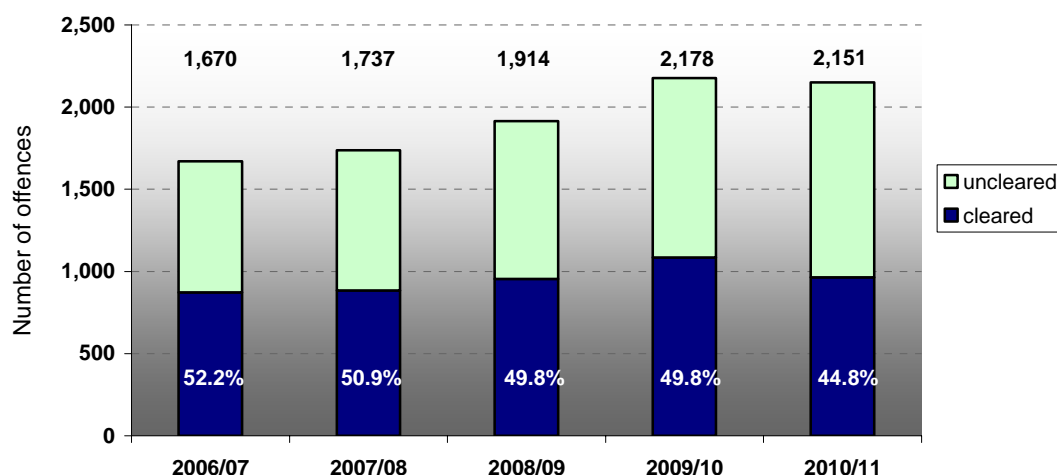


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## 5.4 Burglary (aggravated)<sup>11</sup>

The number of aggravated burglaries recorded during 2010/2011 decreased 1.2% from 2,178 in 2009/2010 to 2,151. Burglary (Aggravated) had a clearance rate of 44.8% during 2010/2011, which was 5.0 percentage points lower than the rate from 2009/2010. A further 105 aggravated burglaries from previous financial years were also cleared.

**Figure 59: Aggravated burglaries recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**

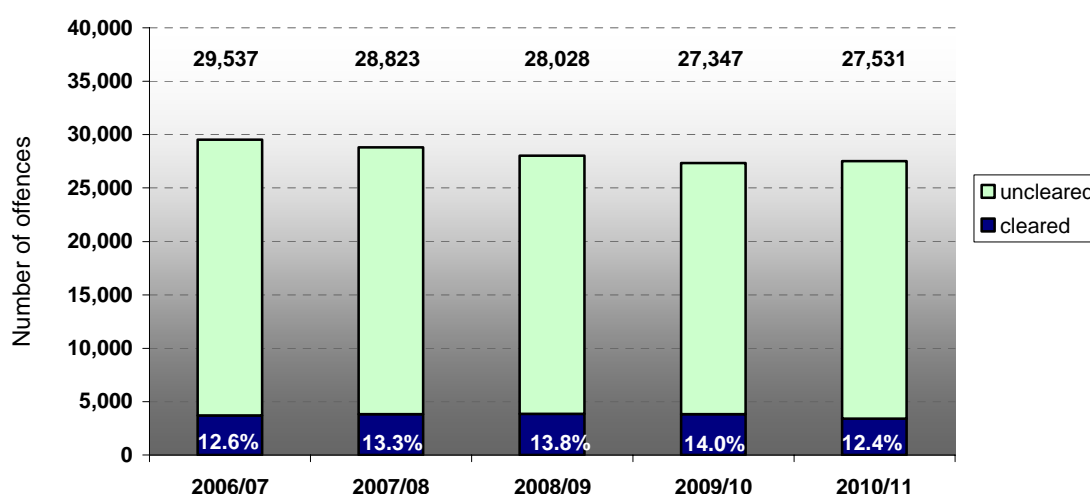


In 2010/2011, there was a 12.9% decrease in offenders processed for aggravated burglary. Juvenile offenders, who accounted for 15.4% of offenders in 2010/2011, decreased by 38.7% since 2009/2010. Adult offenders decreased by 5.5% to 1,125 offenders in 2010/2011.

## 5.5 Burglary (residential)<sup>12</sup>

The number of residential burglaries recorded increased 0.7% from 27,347 in 2009/2010 to 27,531 in 2010/2011. Burglary (residential) had a clearance rate of 12.4% during 2010/2011, 1.6 percentage points lower than that of 2009/2010.

**Figure 60: Residential burglaries recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



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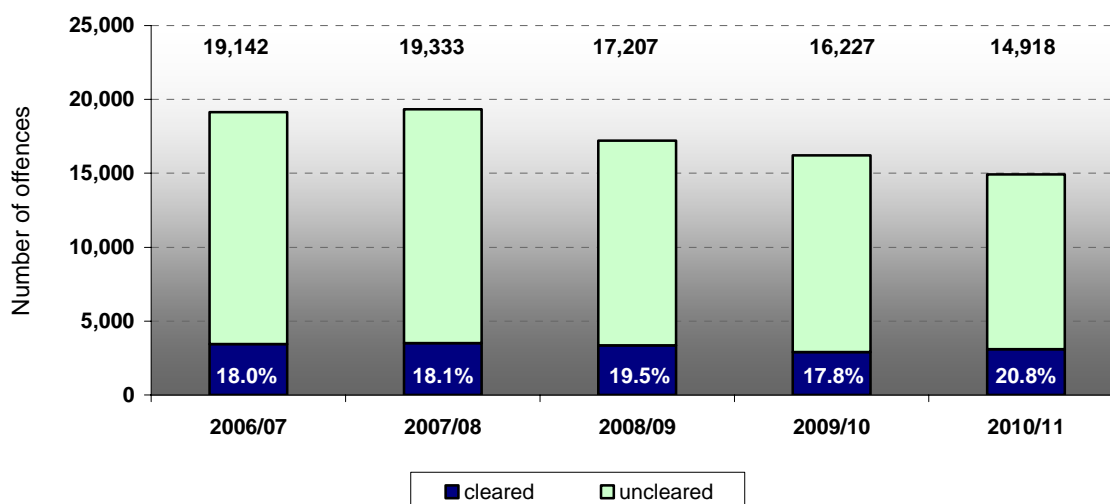
<sup>11</sup> Burglary (aggravated) is based on the offence of aggravated burglary. Please note that a change in the definition of the offence in the Crimes Act came into effect on 1 September 1997.

<sup>12</sup> Burglary (residential) is based on the offence of burglary where the location type is residential.

## 5.6 Burglary (other)<sup>13</sup>

There were 14,918 non-residential burglaries recorded in 2010/2011, a decrease of 8.1%. Of all these type of offences recorded during 2010/2011, 3,102 (20.8%) were cleared in the same year. This was 3.0 percentage points higher than the clearance rate recorded in 2009/2010.

**Figure 61: Other burglaries recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**

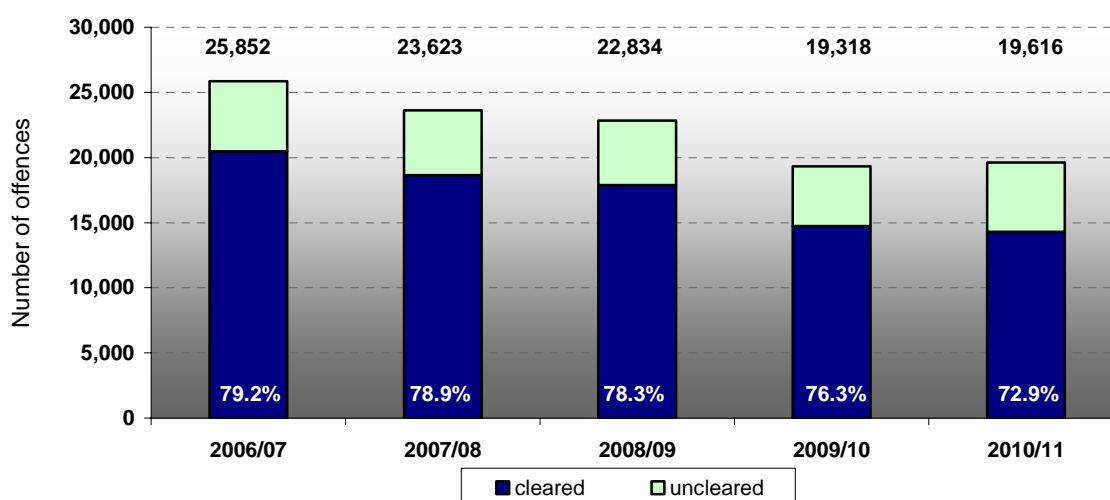


## 5.7 Deception<sup>14</sup>

There were 19,616 offences of deception recorded during 2010/2011, an increase of 1.5% on the 19,318 recorded during 2009/2010.

Of the 19,616 offences recorded in 2010/2011, 14,300 (72.9%) were cleared within the same period, a decrease of 3.4 percentage points. An additional 1,269 offences were also cleared in 2010/2011 from previous years. Offences were mainly cleared by the processing of offenders, in 14,078 instances.

**Figure 62: Deception offences recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



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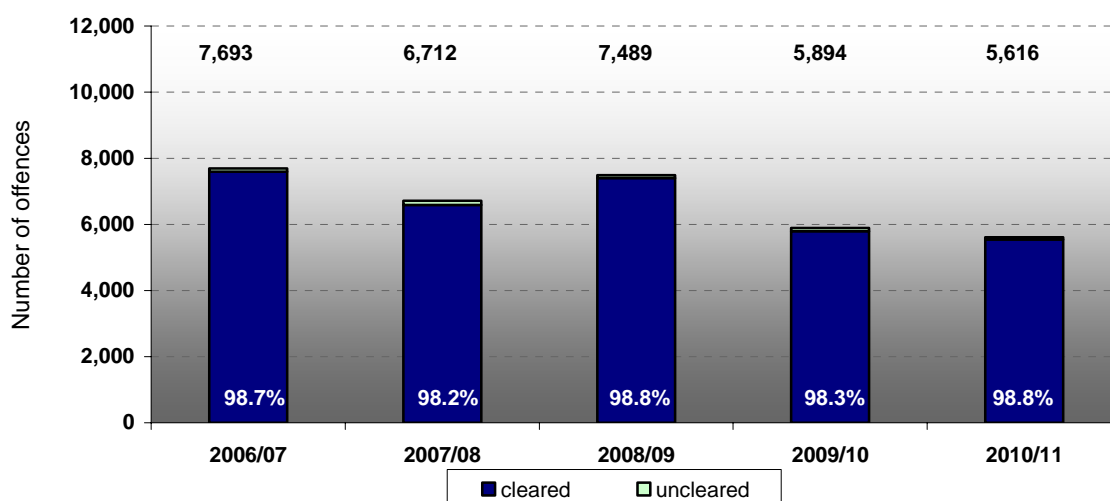
<sup>13</sup> Burglary (other) is based on the offence of burglary where the location type is other than a residential location.

<sup>14</sup> Deception includes offences such as obtain property by deception, obtain financial advantage by deception, make false document, false accounting and imposition (Commonwealth benefit/money).

## 5.8 Handle stolen goods<sup>15</sup>

There were 5,616 offences of handle stolen goods recorded during 2010/2011, 4.7% less than the 5,894 offences recorded in 2009/2010. Of these offences, 5,547 (98.8%) recorded were cleared within the same period.

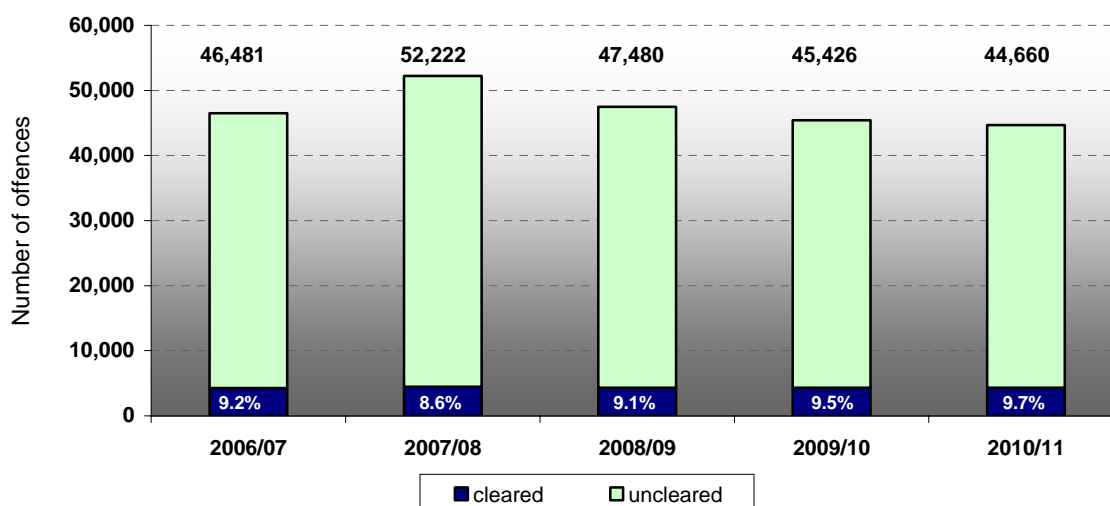
**Figure 63: Handle stolen goods offences recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



## 5.9 Theft from motor vehicle<sup>16</sup>

The number of theft from motor vehicle offences recorded in 2010/2011 (44,660) was 1.7% lower than the 45,426 offences recorded in 2009/2010. The 2010/2011 clearance rate of 9.7% was 0.2 percentage points higher than the rate from 2009/2010.

**Figure 64: Theft from motor vehicle offences recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



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Despite the overall decrease in theft from motor vehicle offences, theft of number plates, which were the most common property type stolen, increased by 11.8%. The largest percentage decreases were seen in CDs, photographic equipment, Ipod/MP3 players, and GPS receivers.

<sup>15</sup> Handle stolen goods includes unlawful possession and hand/receive/retention stolen goods.

<sup>16</sup> Theft from motor vehicle is based on the offence of theft from motor vehicle.

**Figure 65: Top 15 types of property stolen during theft from motor vehicle offences, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

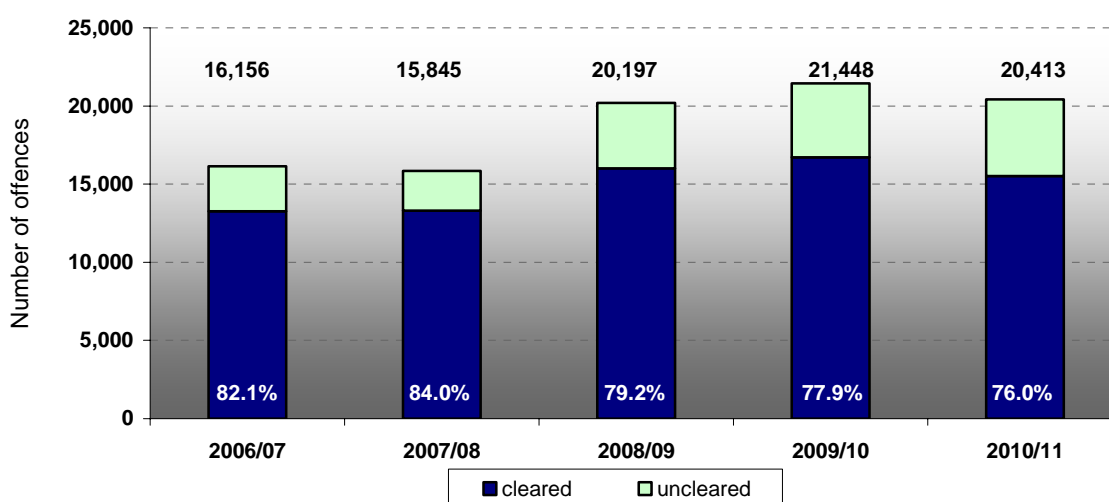
Rank	Property Type	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2009/2010
		2009/2010	2010/2011	
1	Number plates	8,888	9,938	11.8
2	Cash / money related	8,043	7,711	-4.1
3	GPS receiver / navigation unit	5,553	4,685	-15.6
4	Wallet / purse	5,550	5,272	-5.0
5	Computer / laptop / notebook	4,787	4,413	-7.8
6	Tools / powertool	3,955	4,031	1.9
7	Handbag / bag	3,014	2,705	-10.3
8	Mobile phone	2,833	2,661	-6.1
9	Sunglasses	2,553	2,302	-9.8
10	Ipod / MP3 player	2,401	2,002	-16.6
11	Drivers Licence	2,182	1,997	-8.5
12	Photographic equipment	1,961	1,583	-19.3
13	Clothing	1,919	1,749	-8.9
14	CDs	1,488	1,200	-19.4
15	Jewellery	750	697	-7.1
16	Car Stereo	697	624	-10.5

## 5.10 Theft (shopsteal)<sup>17</sup>

The number of shopsteal offences recorded during 2010/2011 (20,413) was 4.8% lower than that recorded during 2009/2010 (21,448). The 2010/2011 clearance rate (76.0%) was 2.0 percentage points lower than the rate recorded in 2009/2010.

Penalty Infringement Notices and Offenders Warnings for the offence “Shop theft less than \$600” were introduced on 1 July 2008. Since then, Theft (shopsteal) offences increased during 2008/2009 and 2009/2010, and have remained stable in 2010/2011. During 2010/2011 there were 4,148 offences recorded where Penalty Notices and Offender Warnings were issued.

**Figure 66: Theft (shopsteal) offences recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



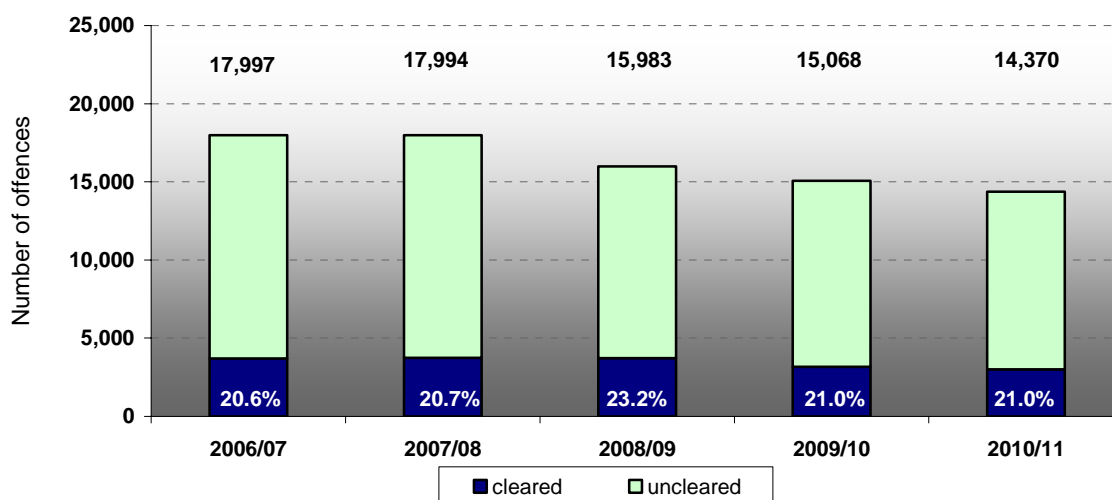
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<sup>17</sup> Theft (shopsteal) is based on the offence of theft from shop (shopsteal).

## 5.11 Theft of motor vehicle<sup>18</sup>

The number of theft of motor vehicle offences recorded in 2010/2011 (14,370) was 4.6% lower than the 15,068 recorded in 2009/2010. The 2010/2011 clearance rate (21.0%) was the same as the rate recorded in 2009/2010.

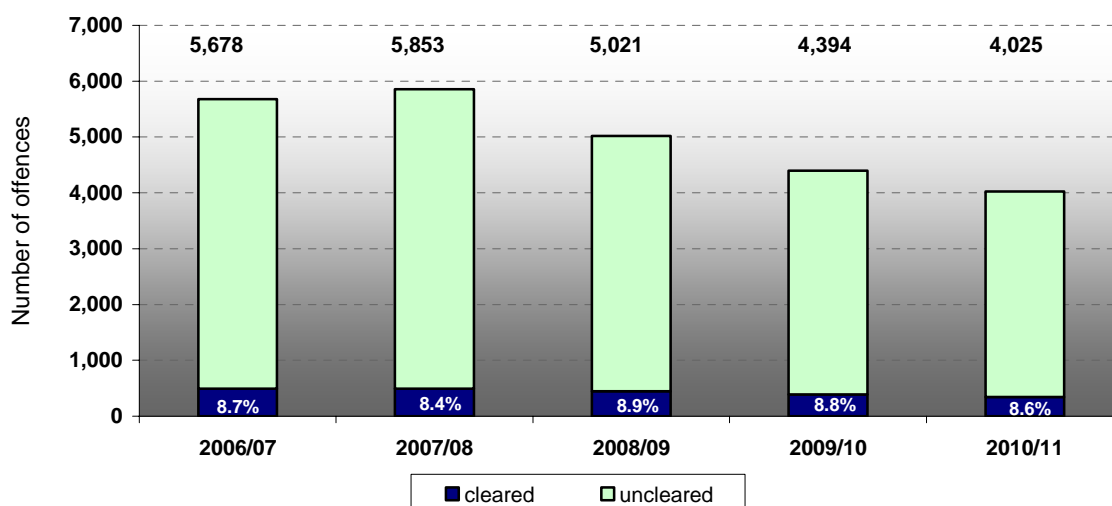
**Figure 67: Theft of motor vehicle offences recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



## 5.12 Theft (bicycle)<sup>19</sup>

There were 4,025 bicycle thefts recorded in 2010/2011, 8.4% less than the number recorded in 2009/2010 (4,394). In 2010/2011, 8.6% of offences were cleared. This was 0.3 percentage points less than the rate recorded in 2009/2010.

**Figure 68: Theft (bicycle) offences recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



*Note: All figures with decimal places in the above tables have been rounded to one decimal place.*

<sup>18</sup> Theft of motor vehicle is based on the offence of theft of motor vehicle.

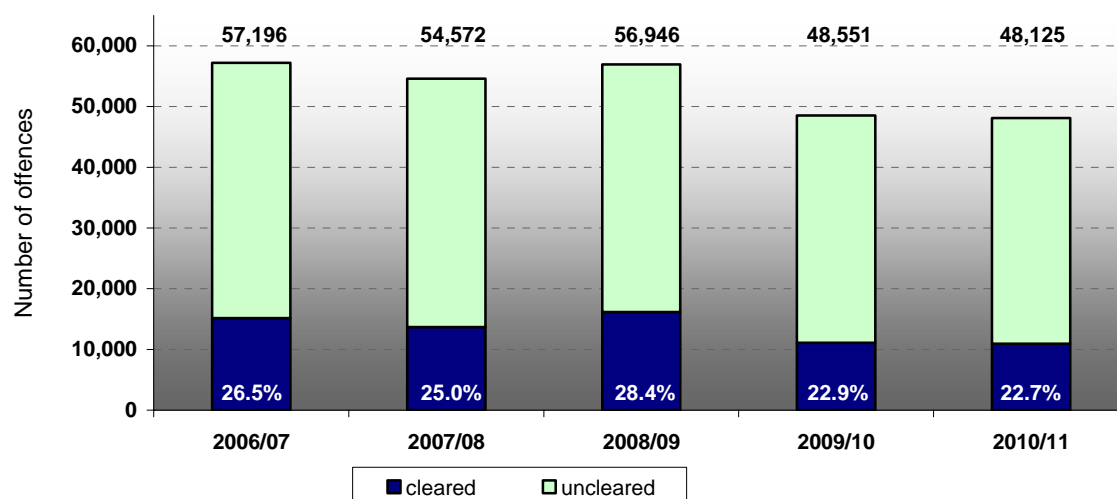
<sup>19</sup> Theft (bicycle) is based on the offence of theft of bicycle.



## 5.13 Theft (other)<sup>20</sup>

The number of theft (other) offences decreased by 0.9% to 48,125 in 2010/2011. Please note that theft (other) includes all forms of theft not elsewhere classified and can range from trivial offences involving almost no monetary value to thefts of significant value. The 2010/2011 clearance rate for theft (other) (22.7%) was a decrease of 0.2 percentage points on the clearance rate recorded during 2009/2010.

**Figure 69: Recorded and cleared theft (other) offences, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



*Note: All figures with decimal places in the above table have been rounded to one decimal place.*

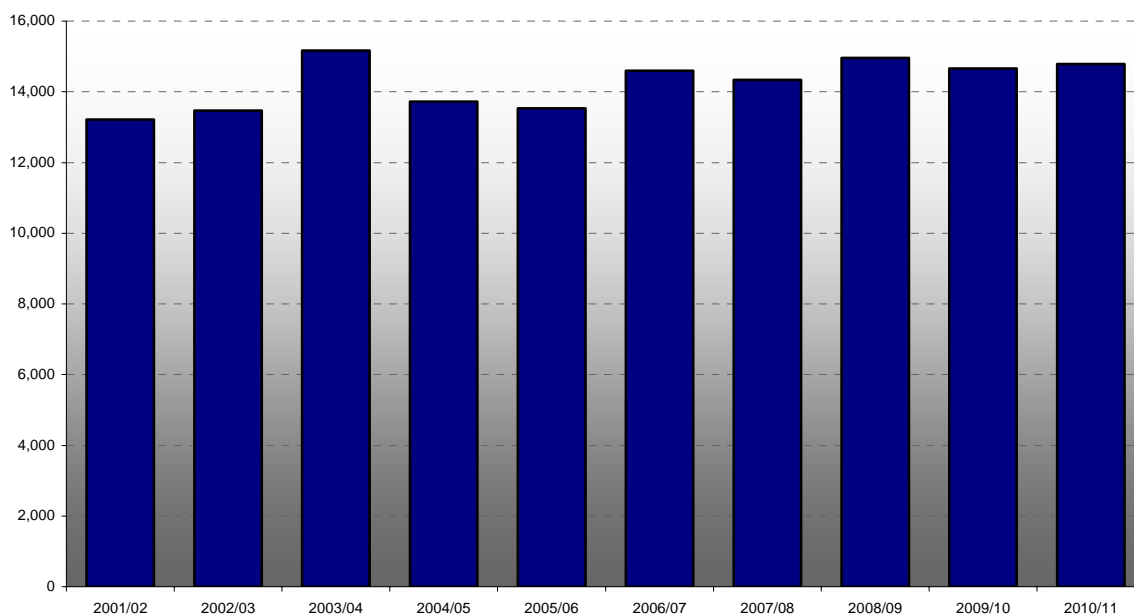
<sup>20</sup> Theft (other) includes the offence of theft, and excludes theft from motor vehicle, theft of motor vehicle, theft of bicycle and theft from shop (shopsteal).

## 6 Drug offences

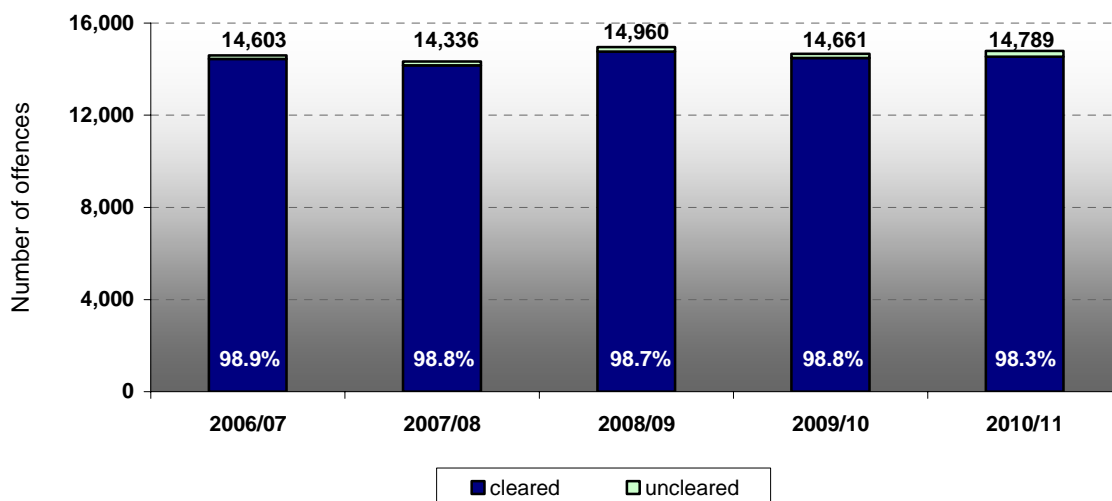
### 6.1 Overall

The number of drug offences recorded by Victoria Police during 2010/2011 was 14,789, an increase of 0.9% from the previous year. This offence group had a clearance rate of 98.3%, which was 0.5 percentage points lower than the rate from 2009/2010.<sup>21</sup>

**Figure 70: Drug offences per year, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**



**Figure 71: Recorded and cleared drug offences, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



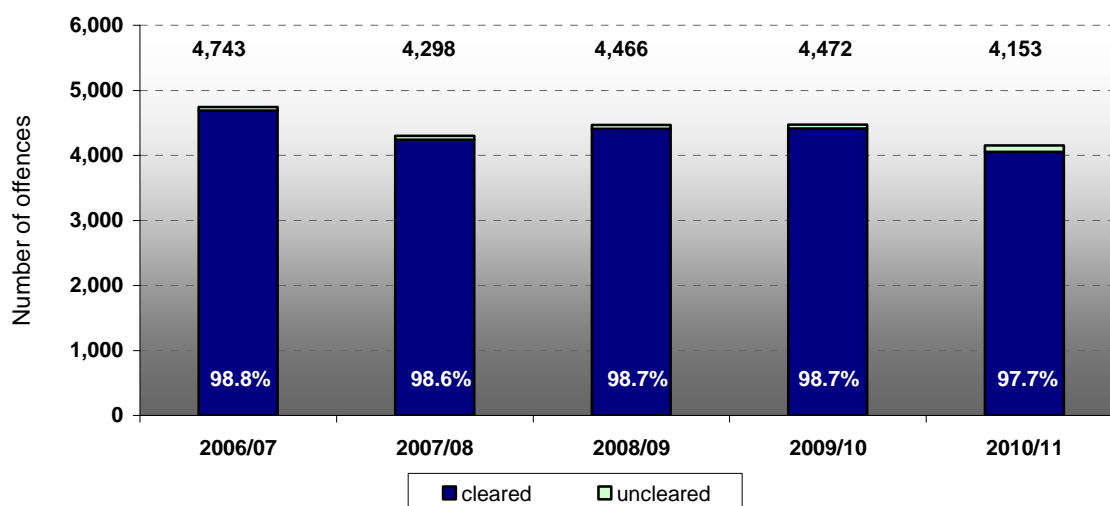
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<sup>21</sup> Please note that in recorded crime statistics only the most serious offence that best describes a particular course of criminal conduct is counted and that secondary offences are not counted. Thus, where an alleged offender is in possession of a drug and admits using the drug, only the offence of possession is counted, although the alleged offender would be charged with both offences.

## 6.2 Drug (cultivate/manufacture/traffick)<sup>22</sup>

There were 4,153 offences of Drug (cultivate/manufacture/traffick) recorded in 2010/2011, a decrease of 7.1% from the number of offences recorded in 2009/2010. The clearance rate in 2010/2011 for drug (cultivate, manufacture, traffick) offences was 97.7%, 1.0 percentage points lower than in 2009/2010.

**Figure 72: Recorded and cleared drug (cult./ manuf./ traff.) offences, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



The most common type of drug seized in cultivate/manufacture/traffick offences was cannabis, which accounted for 43.0% of these offences in 2010/2011. However, the number of cannabis offences declined by 7.4% since 2009/2010. The largest percentage increase was seen in heroin trafficking offences, which rose by 24.6% during 2010/2011.

**Figure 73: Recorded drug (cult./ manuf./ traff.) offences by type of drug, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**

Type of drug	Number of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10
	2009/10	2010/11	
Cannabis	1,928	1,786	-7.4
Heroin	525	654	24.6
Cocaine	126	47	-62.7
Other, including amphetamine-type stimulants and precursor chemicals*	1,893	1,666	-12.0
<i>Total Cultivation/Manufacture/Trafficking</i>	<i>4,472</i>	<i>4,153</i>	<i>-7.1</i>

\* Other includes anabolic agents, hallucinogens, pharmaceuticals and other drugs not elsewhere classified. For the purposes of this table, this category also includes amphetamine-type stimulants (including ecstasy) and precursor chemicals (chemicals used in the manufacture of other drugs).

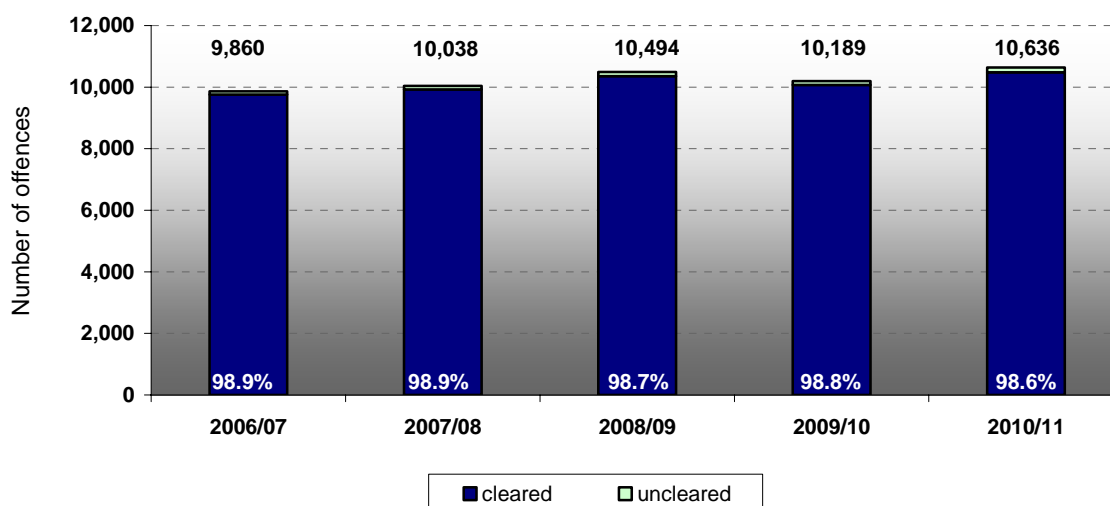
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<sup>22</sup> Drug (cultivate/manufacture/traffick) includes offences of cultivate, traffick, conspire to traffick, and aid and abet traffick of illicit drugs, controlled substances and other drugs of dependence. The types of drugs include heroin, cocaine, cannabis, hashish, amphetamine and ecstasy.

## 6.3 Drug (possess/use)<sup>23</sup>

There were 10,636 offences of drug possession and use in 2010/2011, an increase of 4.4% from 2009/2010. The clearance rate in 2010/2011 for drug (possess/use) offences was 98.6%, 0.3 percentage points lower than 2009/2010.

**Figure 74: Drug (possess/use) recorded and cleared offences, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



The most common type of drug seized in possess/use offences was cannabis, which accounted for 52.4% of these offences in 2010/2011. The largest percentage increase (33.2%) was seen in 'other' drug offences, which includes hallucinogens, pharmaceuticals, and other drugs not elsewhere classified.

**Figure 75: Recorded drug (possess/use) offences by type of drug, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**

Type of drug	Number of offences recorded		% change from 2009/10
	2009/10	2010/11	
Cannabis	5,325	5,569	4.6
Heroin	1,053	972	-7.7
Cocaine	125	80	-36.0
Amphetamine-type stimulants	2,359	2,248	-4.7
Other*	1,327	1,767	33.2
<i>Total Possession/Use</i>	<i>10,189</i>	<i>10,636</i>	<i>4.4</i>

\* Other includes anabolic agents, hallucinogens, pharmaceuticals and other drugs not elsewhere classified.

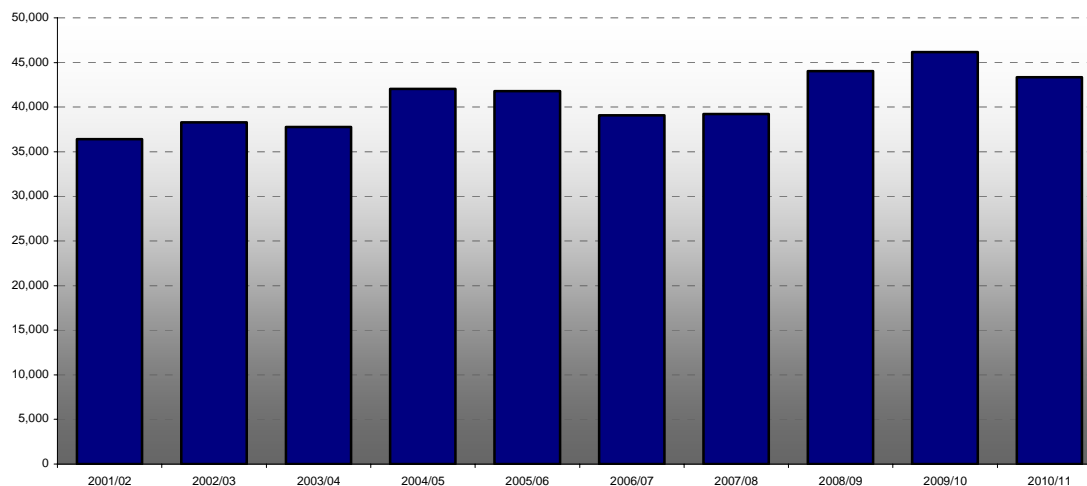
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<sup>23</sup> Drug (possess, use) includes offences of possess, use and introduce drug into the body of another. The types of drugs include heroin, cocaine, cannabis, hashish, amphetamine and ecstasy.

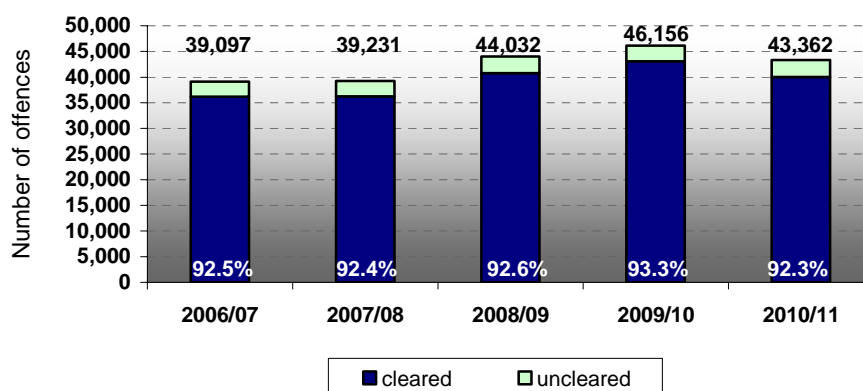
## 7 Other crime<sup>24</sup>

In 2010/2011 there were 43,362 other offences recorded, a decrease of 6.1% compared with 2009/2010. This offence group had a clearance rate of 92.3%, 1.1 percentage points lower than the previous year.

**Figure 76: Other offences per year, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**



**Figure 77: Other offences recorded and cleared, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



**Figure 78: Other offence categories, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**

Other Crime Offence Category	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	% Change from 2009/10 to 2010/11
Going equipped to steal	445	471	528	555	397	-28.5%
Justice procedures	17,923	17,569	18,923	19,576	19,763	1.0%
Regulated public order	1,937	2,072	2,278	1,980	1,291	-34.8%
Weapons / explosives	6,721	7,002	7,150	6,863	6,852	-0.2%
Harassment	2,824	2,983	2,844	2,936	2,897	-1.3%
Behaviour in public	3,425	3,333	6,432	8,305	6,850	-17.5%
Other	5,822	5,801	5,877	5,941	5,312	-10.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>39,097</b>	<b>39,231</b>	<b>44,032</b>	<b>46,156</b>	<b>43,362</b>	<b>-6.1%</b>

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above tables have been rounded to one decimal place.

<sup>24</sup> **Going equipped to steal** is based on the offence of going equipped to steal/cheat. **Justice procedures** includes offences such as breach intervention order, fail to answer bail, escape from lawful custody, resist police/resist arrest, hinder police and make false report to police. **Regulated public order** include offences involving betting, gaming, liquor, tobacco, censorship and prostitution. **Weapons/explosives** is based on offences related to firearms, controlled weapons and explosives. **Harassment** includes offences of stalking and use phone/postal service/listening devices to menace/harass/offend. **Behaviour in public** includes offences related to drunkenness, indecent/offensive behaviour/language. **Other** includes indictable and summary offences not covered by the previous offence categories.

## Justice Procedure Offences

In 2010/2011, there were 19,763 Justice Procedure offences, an increase of 1.0% compared with 2009/2010. Justice Procedure offences account for 45.6% of all offences recorded in the Other Crime category, and were the only type of offence in the Other Crime category to increase between 2009/2010 and 2010/2011.

The single year clearance rate for Justice Procedures in 2010/2011 was 92.6% (down 1.5 percentage points from the clearance rate recorded in 2009/2010).

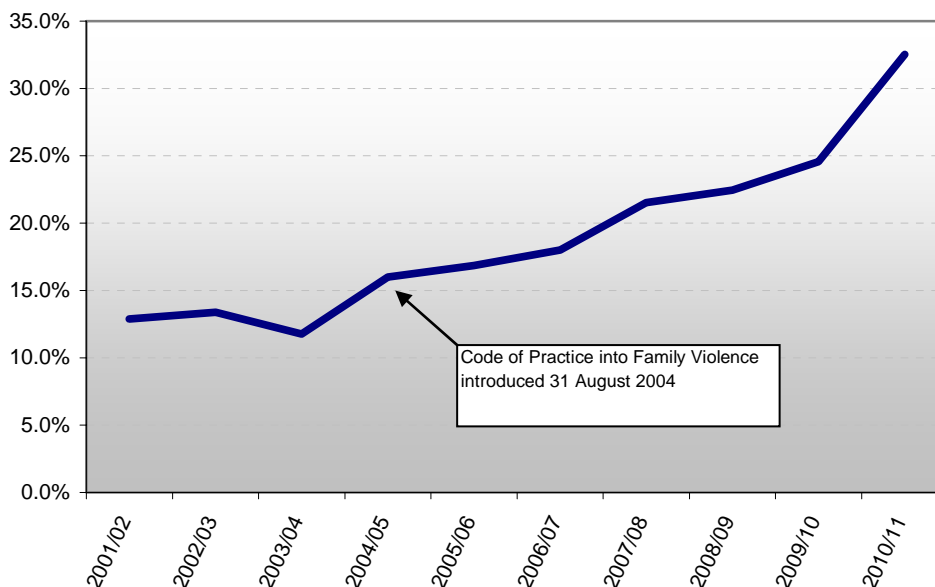
In 2010/2011, Justice Procedure offences arising from family incidents increased by 33.7% to 6,427, while offences not arising from family incidents decreased by 9.7%.

**Figure 79: Justice Procedure offences arising and not arising from family incidents, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2009/2010	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from 2009/2010
	2009/2010	2010/2011		2009/2010	2010/2011	
Justice Procedure offences arising from family incidents	4,807	6,427	33.7%	87.4	115.1	31.6%
Justice Procedure offences not arising from family incidents	14,769	13,336	-9.7%	268.5	238.8	-11.1%
<b>Total Justice Procedure offences</b>	<b>19,576</b>	<b>19,763</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>355.9</b>	<b>353.8</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>
% of Justice Procedure offences arising from family incidents	24.6%	32.5%				

In 2010/2011, 32.5% of Justice Procedures offences were arising from family incidents (up by 7.9 percentage points from 2009/2010).

**Figure 80: Percentage of Justice Procedure offences arising from family incidents, 2001/2002 to 2010/2011**



*Note: All figures with decimal places in the above tables have been rounded to one decimal place.*

The main offence category within justice procedures was 'contravene family violence intervention order' with 7,936 offences recorded in 2010/2011 (6.6% increase from 2009/2010). There were 5,015 'fail to answer bail' offences recorded (7.0% decrease from 2009/2010) and 1,564 resist police offences (16.0% decrease from 2009/2010). These three offences make up 73.4% of all justice procedures offences.

**Figure 81: Top 10 types of Justice Procedure offences, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011**

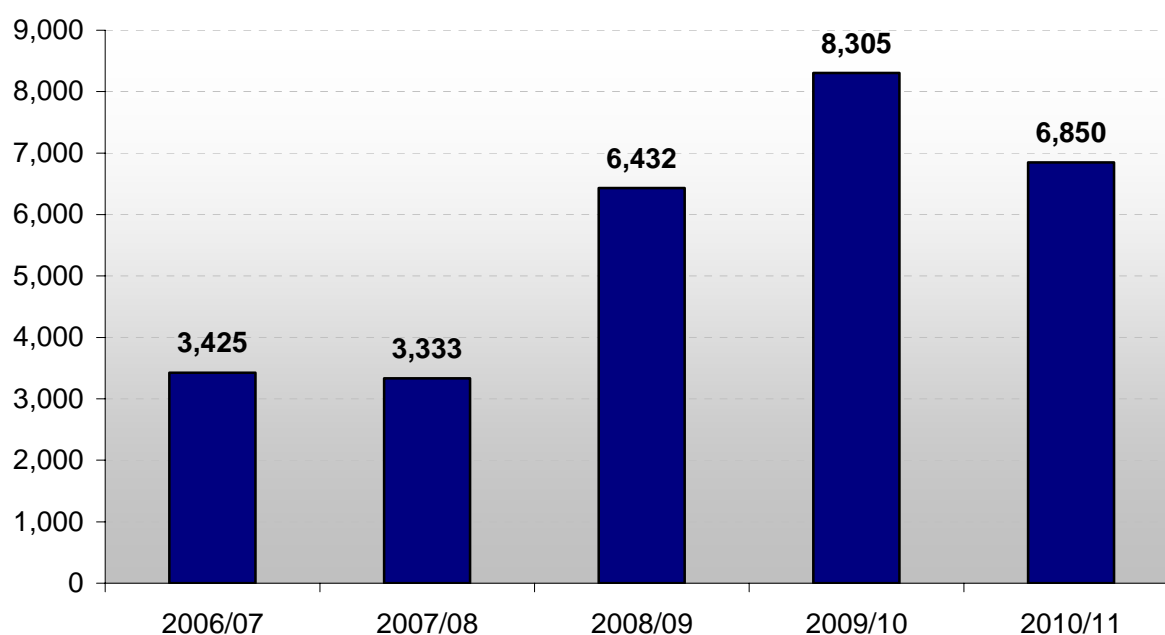
Offence Type	2009/10	2010/11	% change from 2009/10
Contravene family violence intervention order	7,447	7,936	6.6
Fail to answer bail	5,390	5,015	-7.0
Resist police	1,862	1,564	-16.0
Contravene family violence final intervention order	798	951	19.2
Contravene family violence interim intervention order	471	630	33.8
Fail to comply with reporting obligations	229	502	119.2
Failure to comply with undertaking order	560	499	-10.9
State false name when requested	414	384	-7.2
Make false report to police	380	383	0.8
Hinder police	343	240	-30.0

*Note: All figures with decimal places in the above tables have been rounded to one decimal place.*

## Behaviour in Public Offences

In 2010/2011 there were 6,850 behaviour in public offences, a decrease of 17.5% compared with 2009/2010.

**Figure 82: Behaviour in public offences recorded, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



*Note: The infringement notice statistics from Figure 75 are independent to Behaviour in public offences and are not included in Figure 72 above.*

*Public offences and are not included in Figure 72 above.*

Penalty Infringement Notices for offences "Behaves in a riotous indecent offensive or insulting manner" and "Uses profane indecent or obscene language or insulting words" were introduced on 1 July 2008. Since then, Behaviour in Public offences have been higher in the last three financial years than in years prior to this change. The 4,397 Penalty Notices issued for these two offences make up 64.2% of all behaviour in public offences in 2010/2011. This was a decrease of 21.2% from the previous financial year. In 2010/11, most alleged offenders processed for these two offences were males aged 18-59 (86.9%). Note that the number of Penalty Notices issued may be slightly different than the number of offenders processed, due to offences with multiple offenders, or offenders being issued multiple Notices.

**Figure 83: Alleged offenders processed for offences “Behaves in a riotous indecent offensive or insulting manner” and “Uses profane indecent or obscene language or insulting words”, 2010/2011**

	2009/10			2010/11			%change from 2009/10		
	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total*	Female	Male	Total*
Juvenile	17	135	152	11	95	106	-35.3%	-29.6%	-30.3%
Adult	362	4,941	5,324	338	3,793	4,152	-6.6%	-23.2%	-22.0%
Adult 60+	4	39	43	3	36	42	-25.0%	-7.7%	-2.3%
<b>Total Alleged Offenders*</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>5,179</b>	<b>5,590</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>3,977</b>	<b>4,363</b>	<b>-7.2%</b>	<b>-23.2%</b>	<b>-21.9%</b>

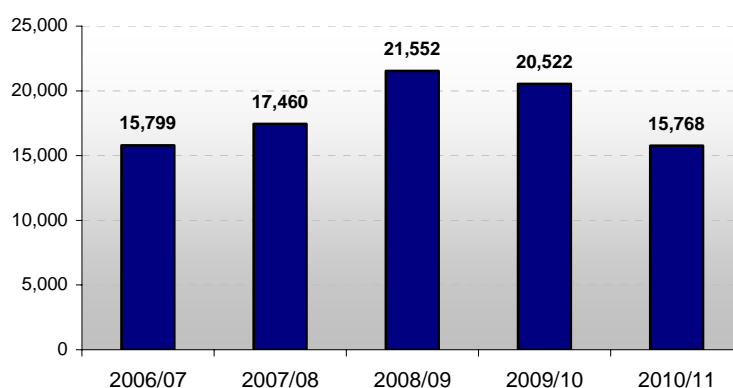
\* includes offenders where age or gender is unspecified

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Behaviour in public offences that occurred at street/lane/footpath locations accounted for 61.3% of all behaviour in public offences. Offences at these locations decreased by 24.1% since 2009/2010.

As a measure of public order – in particular public drunkenness – the below graph shows the number of persons taken into custody for reason being “drunk” (source: Victoria Police Attendance Register). In 2010/2011 there were 15,768 attendances where custody reason was Arrest-drunk, a decrease of 23.2% compared with 2009/2010.

**Figure 84: Attendance Register\*: Attendances where custody reason was Arrest-drunk, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011**



\* Note: These statistics show the number of persons taken into custody for reason being “drunk” and are not offences. However attendances may or may not lead to criminal charges being laid (source: Victoria Police Attendance Register).

Amendments to the Summary Offences Act 1966 came into effect on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2009 and introduced new *move on powers* and the expansion of *the use of infringement notices for offences relating to public drunkenness and anti-social behaviour*. These changes are part of an initiative by Government to give police greater powers to combat violence and antisocial behaviour. The figure below shows that 23,503 infringement notices issued since their introduction on 16 December 2009. Note that these are not offences and are not included in total crime figures.

**Figure 85: Infringement notices issued since their introduction on 16 December 2009**

	2009/10	2010/11
Contravene Police Direction To Move On	249	362
Drunk In Public Place	8,031	13,366
Drunk And Disorderly In Public Place	517	618
Behave In Disorderly Manner Public Place	178	182
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,975</b>	<b>14,528</b>

Note: The number of infringement notices in 2010/2011 cannot be compared to the number in 2009/2010, as the notices were introduced partway through the 2009/2010 financial year (on the 16<sup>th</sup> of December 2009).



## 8 Appendix

### 8.1 Definitions and Explanatory Notes

<b>Source of data:</b>	All statistics presented in this document have been obtained from a copy of the LEAP database taken on 18 July 2011.
<b>Reporting period:</b>	The current financial year is used as the reporting period (i.e. 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 inclusive).
<b>Offences recorded:</b>	Consists of those offences reported to police and recorded on the LEAP system during the reporting period.
<b>Offences cleared:</b>	Consists of those offences reported to police and recorded on the LEAP system that have been cleared within the reporting period. A clearance can either mean that at least one alleged offender has been processed, no offence has been detected, the complaint has been withdrawn, or the offender is known but for legal reasons cannot be charged. Offences cleared from previous reporting periods are also shown in this publication, but are not included in the clearance rate.
<b>Single year clearances:</b>	The number of offences recorded during the reporting period which were cleared within the same period. They are also represented as a proportion of total number of offences recorded for the same period. Offences cleared within this period which had been reported in earlier reporting periods are shown separately and not included in the single year clearances. <b><i>All clearance rates referred to in this document (including in graphs and tables) are single year clearance rates.</i></b>
<b>% change:</b>	The “% change” column refers to the percentage change in the number of recorded data and comparisons are made with the previous financial year.
<b>Offences:</b>	There are over 3500 statutory and common law offences recorded on LEAP which have been grouped into 27 offence categories. These categories are further grouped into 4 broader categories: Crime Against the Person, Crime Against Property, Drugs and Other. For more detail on offences, refer to Victoria Police Crime Statistics Publication, Appendix Table A.1.
<b>Offence categories:</b>	The definitions of all the 27 offence categories referred to in the document are as follows:  <i>Homicide:</i> Includes offences such as accident (fail to assist – death), murder, aid and abet suicide, manslaughter, culpable driving and abortion.  <i>Rape:</i> Includes the offences of rape and buggery (repealed).  <i>Sex (non-rape):</i> Includes offences such as indecent assault, indecent act, wilful and obscene exposure in public, incest, sexual penetration of a child, and gross indecency.  <i>Robbery:</i> Includes offences of armed robbery and robbery/assault with intent to rob.  <i>Assault:</i> Includes indictable and summary assault offences such as intentionally/recklessly cause injury, make threats to kill, reckless conduct endangering life/serious injury, unlawful assault, assault police (serious and summary) assault with weapon/instrument, and discharge missile/stone to injure/danger.

<i>Abduction/kidnap:</i>	Includes offences of abduction, child stealing, cause abduction, kidnap and false imprisonment.
<i>Arson:</i>	Includes offences of criminal damage by fire, light fire on PTC vehicle/premises, light/use fire and destroy/damage property and light/use fire to endanger property/life.
<i>Property damage:</i>	Includes offences such as criminal damage (intent to damage/destroy), wilful damage/injure property and possess article for criminal damage.
<i>Burglary (aggravated):</i>	Based on the offence of aggravated burglary. Please note that a change in the definition of the offence in the Crimes Act came into effect on 1 September 1997.
<i>Burglary (residential):</i>	Based on the offence of burglary where the location type is residential.
<i>Burglary (other):</i>	Based on the offence of burglary where the location type is other than a residential location.
<i>Deception:</i>	Includes offences such as obtain property by deception, obtain financial advantage by deception, make false document, false accounting and imposition (Commonwealth benefit/money).
<i>Handle stolen goods:</i>	Includes unlawful possession and hand/receive/retention stolen goods.
<i>Theft from motor vehicle:</i>	Based on the offence of theft from motor vehicle.
<i>Theft (shopsteal):</i>	Based on the offence of theft from shop (shopsteal).
<i>Theft of motor vehicle:</i>	Based on the offence of theft of motor vehicle.
<i>Theft of bicycle:</i>	Based on the offence of theft of bicycle.
<i>Theft (other):</i>	Includes the offence of theft, and excludes theft from motor vehicle, theft of motor vehicle, theft of bicycle and theft from shop (shopsteal).
<i>Drug (cult./man./traff.):</i>	Includes offences of cultivate, traffick, conspire to traffick, and aid and abet traffick of illicit drugs, controlled substances and other drugs of dependence. The types of drugs include heroin, cocaine, cannabis, hashish, amphetamine and ecstasy.
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<i>Justice procedures:</i>	Includes offences such as breach intervention order, fail to answer bail, escape from lawful custody, resist police/resist arrest, hinder police and make false report to police.
<i>Regulated public order:</i>	Include offences involving betting, gaming, liquor, tobacco, censorship and prostitution.
<i>Weapons/explosives:</i>	Based on offences related to firearms, controlled weapons and explosives.

<i>Harassment:</i>	Includes offences of stalking and use phone/postal service/listening devices to menace/harass/offend.
<i>Behaviour in public:</i>	Includes offences related to drunkenness, indecent/offensive behaviour/language.
<i>Other:</i>	Includes indictable and summary offences not covered by the previous offence categories.
<b>Penalty Infringement Notices:</b>	Allow for offences to be punished without a court appearance. Note that the official crime offence count does not include penalty notices issued for Drunk or Drunk and Disorderly.
<b>Attendance Register:</b>	Records all persons who have attended a police station through being arrested, for an interview, drunkenness, various forensic procedures, or other reasons.
<b>Offenders processed:</b>	Refers to persons who have allegedly committed a criminal offence and have been processed for that offence. Those persons who for legal or other reasons are not charged are also included. Persons are counted for each occasion they are processed and for each serious offence. Figures on the number of alleged offenders processed are based on the date the charge record was created on LEAP rather than the date the offender was processed.
<b>Recorded victims:</b>	Consists of those offences where the principal victim type is "Person". Victim statistics presented in this report refer to the number of persons who have been recorded as a victim of crime. A person is counted for each occasion that they are a victim and for each serious offence.
<b>Family incidents:</b>	Based on the number of family incident reports submitted by police and recorded on LEAP in the reporting period.
<b>Juvenile:</b>	Defined as persons less than 18 years of age.
<b>Comparison with ABS data:</b>	<p>Figures published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) in the Recorded Crime Australia (No. 4510.0) publication, differ to those published by the Victoria Police for a number of reasons including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. ABS national crime statistics are compiled on a calendar year basis whereas Victoria Police crime statistics are based on a financial year;</li> <li>ii. ABS crime definitions differ from those used by Victoria Police and do not contain all offences included in police statistics. ABS national crime statistics include approximately 70% of all crime recorded by Victoria Police; and</li> <li>iii. ABS national crime statistics are based on the number of victims (vehicles in the case of motor vehicle theft), while police statistics are based on the number of offences committed against a victim (eg. a person raped on three occasions over a week - ABS count one offence of rape, Victoria Police count three).</li> </ul> <p>Therefore, users should exercise caution in making comparisons between ABS and Victoria Police statistics.</p>

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